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Plans for new city hall presented to council

► City Council members must now decide how the project is to proceed

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Representatives of Sundberg & Carlson, the architecture firm hired by the City of Grayling to work on the new city hall, provided the city council with a basic floor plan proposal for the new building on Monday night. The council must now decide how much, if anything, will be changed in the plans before the architects proceed with more exact building specifications.

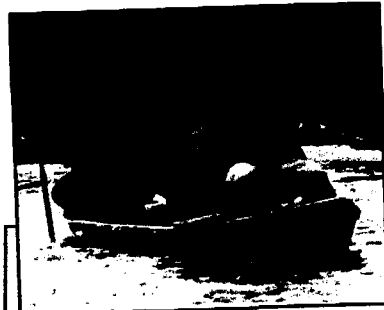
As presented by the architects on Monday, the current set of plans shows a building of approximately 3,600 square feet in size. The structure would cost about \$360,000 to \$400,000, they said.

The proposed building has a ground floor and an "unfinished" basement. According to the architects, the basement would be technically "inaccessible," meaning that the basement couldn't be used for office space, only for mechanical purposes. An elevator and other renovations would have to be added at a later date if the city's office space needs required use of the basement.

The proposed hall was designed to function as two separate parts: one portion for public use, which

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Film legend Mickey Rooney visits Grayling



(Top) River Guide Lacey Stephan takes Mickey Rooney and his wife, Jan Chamberlain, for a leisurely ride on the AuSable River. (Center) Rooney stops for a photo before a fishing trip on the mainstream with Lacey Stephan, Rooney's wife Jan, his son Chris Ebert and AuSable River Guide Ron Rakoczy. (Right) The Rooneys took time after their two evening shows September 19 and 20 in the Stripe Auditorium, to sign autographs. Jan said the people of Grayling treated them just wonderfully and the couple enjoyed their stay.

New 989 area code begins January 1

Michigan's 517 area code, which covers central and northern parts of the state, will receive the new 989 area code as part of the geographic split plan, effective January 1, 2001. The new area code was originally scheduled to begin in August.

Michigan's north central area, which includes Crawford County, as well as Saginaw, Midland, Bay City, Mount Pleasant and Alpena, will receive the 989 area code, while customers in the south central/Lansing area will keep using the 517 area code.

Once the new 989 area code is implemented, calls made between the 517 and 989 areas will require dialing 10 digits or "1" plus 10 digits. Service providers will educate their customers to their dialing pattern. However, the introduction of the 989 area code will not affect the price of telephone calls. Local calls will remain local calls, regardless of the area code dialed.

To introduce the new 989 area code, an "optional dialing" period will begin in January and runs until July 1, 2001. During the optional dialing period, calls made from outside the area can use either the 517 or the 989 area code when completing a call to customers in the new 989 area code. Once required dialing begins, callers will need to use the correct area code to complete their calls.

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Former teen center owner arraigned on sex charge

► Charges also include furnishing alcohol to minors

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

The former owner and operator of a local teen hang-out has been arraigned on one charge of felony criminal sexual conduct and two charges of furnishing alcohol to minors.

Michael Tironi, 39, of Grayling, was arraigned on all three counts in Kalkaska's 87th District Court on September 21.

Tironi was the proprietor of the recently closed Entertainment and Beyond Family Center, in Grayling, where a youth group had formed. According to the Center's web site, some of Tironi's goals were to educate youths in violence prevention, drug/alcohol awareness and community service. Part of the Center's mission statement reads: "Community programs are designed to build a bridge between recreation, education, and social programs to facilitate a positive community atmosphere."

According to Kalkaska County Undersheriff William Spencer, Tironi was arrested on August 23 in Bear Lake Township after investigating a complaint made by an 18-year old Kalkaska man. The complaint stemmed from a July 29 incident where Tironi allegedly provided alcohol to the 18-year old and a 20-year old man, then allegedly forced or coerced the 18-year old into having sex with him at a Bear Lake Township residence.

At his arraignment, District Court Judge Lynn Buday read Tironi his rights, then charged him with Felony Criminal Sexual Conduct 3rd Degree and two counts of Furnishing/Selling Alcohol to Minors. Tironi faces up to 15 years in state prison if convicted of the felony charge.

Under the advisement of his attorney, Tironi waived his right to a preliminary examination within 14 days to allow for preparation of his case. A pre-trial conference is scheduled for October 2 and a preliminary examination is set for October 12 in Kalkaska.

Tironi remains free on a \$5,000 bond.



Bear season opened September 22, the very day Gordon Beard bagged this 350-pound black bear in Crawford County. A local taxidermist said this bear may be a record-breaker because of its large head.

Opening day proves fruitful for one hunter

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Gordon Beard of Lovells Township was the first hunter to bring his bear to the *Avalanche* this season.

Beard was successful on the first day of the season at approximately 7:20 p.m. when he shot this 350-pound black bear in a downpour in Crawford County. The bear has been butchered and its hide has been taken to a local taxidermist where it will be made into a rug. This is Beard's first bear.

This year, bear season (both firearm and archery) runs from September 22 to September 28. Last year, hunting permits numbered 1,000. For 2000, drawings for permits were increased to 1,300. A second shot at bagging a bear comes October 6 to October 12, when only bow hunting is allowed.

ATM robbery suspects arraigned

► Fugitive Team searching for two more local suspects

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Three men were arraigned recently in 83rd District Court for their alleged participation in the July 14 attempted robbery of a local Automated Teller Machine (ATM).

Joseph Lewis Book, 26, of Grayling, Allen Lee Watts Jr., 24, of Grayling, and Steven Allen May, 22, of Birch Run and Grayling, were all arrested by Grayling City Police and arraigned earlier this month before Judge John Hunter.

Each of the men is charged with one count of Breaking and Entering a Building with Intent to Commit Larceny, a ten-year felony, and one count of Safe Breaking with the Intent to Commit Larceny, which carries a maximum sentence of life in prison.

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Coe to run as write-in candidate

After narrowly losing a bid to unseat Sheriff David Lovely in the August primary election, Deputy Tim Coe has decided to run again, this time in a write-in campaign, to win the office in November. Coe lost the Republican primary race by 300 votes.

"After the primary," Coe said, "I was not going to run again, but things have changed. A lot of people have asked me to run a write-in campaign and my recent treatment by the sheriff has convinced me that it is the right thing to do."

According to Coe, his recent treatment by the sheriff has included being reassigned from his road patrol position to that of a corrections officer after refusing to submit his resignation at the sheriff's request.

"He said he would accept my resignation... what a gentleman," Coe said. "He can't have my resignation, so I'm expecting him to fire me any day. Or maybe his plan is just to not invite me to be sworn in at the beginning of next year. However he does it, I'm 99 percent sure that I won't be working here long. I feel that I have nothing to lose by running again."

Coe is a 30-year law enforcement veteran and has served with the Crawford County Sheriff Department for 17 years. Until last March, shortly after the announcement of this intention to run for sheriff, Coe said he had never received a disciplinary action from any of his superiors in law enforcement.

Within days of announcing his candidacy, Coe said he was relieved from his position as the Grayling Township community law enforcement officer for non-performance of duties. He said he was then assigned to a general road patrol position. "The ironic thing about that was I was never given any instruction as to what my duties (as the Grayling Township officer) were supposed to be, except those given to me by Grayling Township," remarked Coe. "After the sheriff took me off the township patrol, the township board passed a resolution commending me for a job well done."



Deputy Tim Coe

Coe said what is happening to him "isn't right." He said, "The people need to know their current sheriff has been very extreme in controlling me for aspiring to reach the top of my profession. But, I don't want my write-in campaign to look like sour grapes because, on my part, it's not. It's about the issues."

Deputy Coe said he is running for sheriff for the same reasons he ran before. "I believe I can be a better sheriff by providing 24-hour road patrol within the current budget," he said. "I believe I can raise the morale of the deputies and mold a hard working team of professionals that will provide better service to the citizens. I believe this team will respond to every citizen complaint, 24-hours per day, promptly and

courteously. To act otherwise, to act indifferently, serves only to compromise a peaceful community against those members who are inclined to be a menace."

Coe added, "It's the duty of the sheriff to insure all citizens receive the necessary protection afforded by law."

The deputy said he wonders why the citizens of Crawford County put up with not having 24-hour road patrol. Coe said if no ambulances were dispatched at night, the people wouldn't stand for it. "It should be the same with police protection, especially since the Michigan State Police are no longer here (on regular night patrol)."

Regarding the sheriff position's pay increase, Coe said, "It's not a bad deal when you can cut service to those you're sworn to protect, then withhold vital information on the phantom state police patrol, but still get a big raise in salary. If I become sheriff, I won't take a pay raise until 24-hour road patrol has been re-established."

The pay increase was approved by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners upon the recommendation of the County Compensation Commission.

"And," Coe said, "I will never, ever assign a 30-year veteran certified officer and graduate of the Advanced Police Academy to a jailer's position; especially not when it's costing the taxpayers the extra \$6,000 per year I'm being paid, just to punish me for challenging the sheriff in an election I lost. That money could be better spent elsewhere."

"I understand that my decision to run a write-in campaign has created an uphill battle, but it's a reflection of how much we need a change," Coe said.

The Committee to Elect Coe for Sheriff has opened campaign headquarters in the International Union of Operating Engineers building on the north I-75 Business Loop in Grayling.

Avalanche Staff Writer Cheryl Raley contributed to this article.

It's not over

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► Races still to be decided; write-in candidates have until Nov. 3 to file

by Cheryl Raley
Staff Writer

Those considering a run for office as a write-in candidate have until November 3 to file their intentions with their local clerks.

A write-in candidacy provides an avenue for those with no party affiliation to run for public office. They also allow those who ran and lost in a primary election to give their candidacies another shot.

Those seeking office through a write-in campaign must file a "Write-In Candidate Declaration of Intent" form. The form asks for residency and voter registration information. It also serves as a sworn affidavit of identity. Candidates must provide their own stickers, stating their name and office they are seeking, for voters to use on election day.

Campaign rules apply for distribution of the stickers, therefore write-in candidates and their campaign workers must distribute stickers before election day or outside a 100-foot radius of polling places on election day during polling hours.

According to Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore, the most important thing for voters to remember is that to vote for a write-in candidate, the sticker must be placed under a flap on the outside of the ballot's privacy envelope.

"Voters must not put the stickers directly on their ballots or write on their ballots," Moore said. "If they do, their ballots will be spoiled and none of their votes for any candidate or issue on those ballots will count."

Plans for new city hall presented

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includes the meeting room and rest rooms; and space for the city offices. After open hours, the city offices could easily be sealed off by locked doors or gates from the public meeting area, the architects explained.

Details on what the city hall might look like on the outside haven't been determined yet.

The proposed city hall plans do not include space for the City of Grayling Police Department, which currently shares a building with the other city department offices. As of

Monday, the city was considering two main locations for the city police: the current Crawford County Library building, which will be vacant when the new library is constructed next year; and the existing Grayling Fire Department building.

The City of Grayling and Grayling Township are currently looking at purchasing land on which to build a new city/township fire hall.

The existing hall could be used to house the police, or as needed for expansion for the new city hall. (The new city hall will be construct-

ed next to James Street just to the west of the existing fire hall, on the same side of the street.)

After the council decides what to do with the proposed plans, if any changes are to be made, the architects can move into the next phase: "design development."

The design development stage, estimated to take about a month, includes creating more specific plans to scale and conceptual drawings of the four sides of the building's exterior. The project is expected to be put out for bids in January or February.

ATM robbery suspects arraigned

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No money was taken in the attempted robbery of the ATM located in the Clark Gas Station parking lot on the corner of the I-75

Business Loop and M-72 West in Grayling.

Grayling Police Detective Dennis Long said his department is working closely with the Michigan State

Police (MSP) Fugitive Team to apprehend two other suspects, a local man and woman. Long said if the pair has fled the state, they will be considered federal fugitives.

Long remarked the MSP Fugitive Team "is a crack bunch of undercover detectives who do a great job of locating fugitives using covert methods."

One male and one female juvenile were also involved in the case and are currently being processed through the Family/Probate Court system.

Long said they played a very minor role in the crime.

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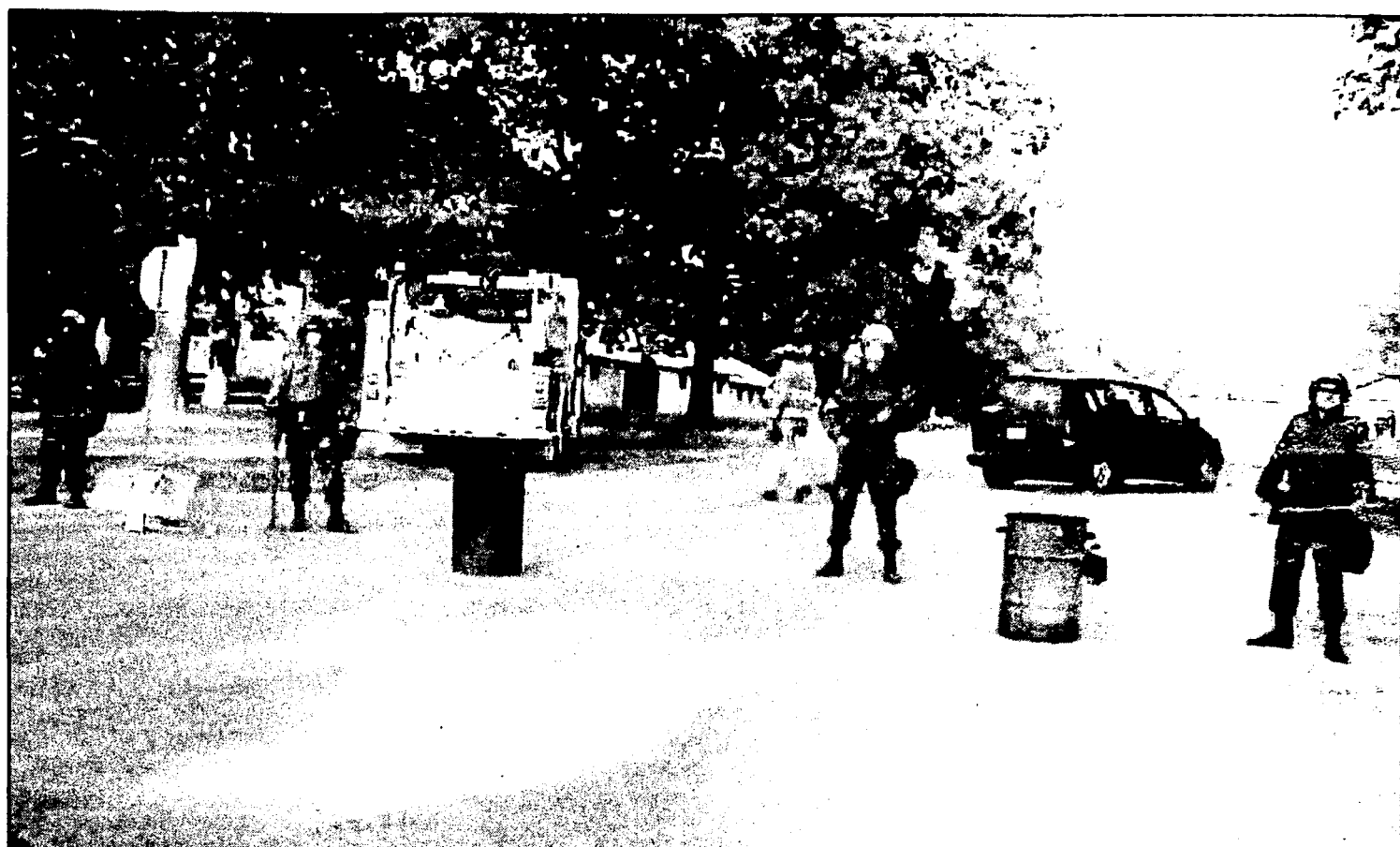


Photo courtesy of Camp Grayling

Soldiers secure an area as local fire departments respond to a mock terrorist bombing of vehicles during a joint exercise between the Michigan National Guard and Crawford County Emergency Services on September 9.

Members of Michigan's 46th Infantry Brigade, Michigan Army National Guard, conducted a joint exercise with the Crawford County Emergency Management personnel on September 9.

The exercise was actually conducted over several weeks with a series of simulated messages being sent to Emergency Management

personnel involving terrorists in the county.

A tabletop exercise with local officials took place on August 29 at the Crawford County Emergency Operations Center to formalize the county scenario involving the mock terrorists and weapons of mass destruction. This tabletop exercise led to the actual full scale exercise

on September 9.

The Saturday exercise took place at Camp Grayling's main camp and involved local law enforcement personnel, fire departments from Frederic and Grayling, North Flight EMS, and Mercy Hospital. The joint Public Information Center was established in the County Emergency Operations Center.

"This was the largest exercise of its kind for Crawford County and both the Crawford County Emergency Services," commented Lt. Col. Tom Lamie, Camp Grayling Maneuver Training Center Public Affairs Officer. "The military concluded it was an outstanding success thanks to all the participants involved."

New 989 area code begins January 1

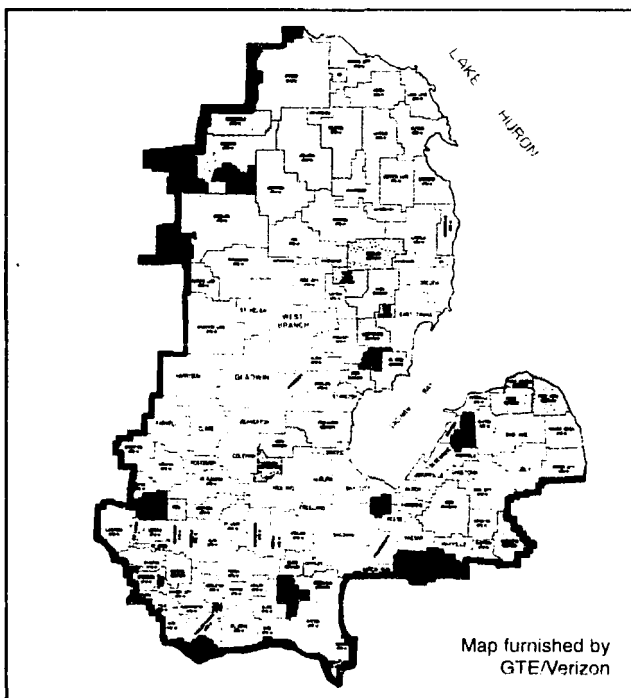
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The split area code is needed due to an increase in competition in the local phone service market, the growing demand by the public for additional telephone numbers and a technical requirement in the phone network that allocates phone numbers in blocks of 10,000.

When switching to or adding a new area code, there are several items customers should remember including:

- Changing stationery, business cards and advertising to reflect the correct area code if not already shown;
- Updating fax machine group calling lists;
- Reprogramming speed dialers, auto dialers, alarms and PBX (private phone systems);
- Reprogramming out-dial lists on personal computers; and
- Updating or reprogramming private-dial entry access systems.

The area code for locations on this map will change from 517 to 989 effective January 1, 2001



Map furnished by GTE/Verizon

Turfing suspects plead not guilty

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Three Grayling men were arraigned in 46th Circuit Trial Court on September 7 for allegedly damaging the Grayling High School football field and track back in June.

Jeremy Tuck, James Babbitt and Casey Jo Helsel appeared separately before the Honorable Judge Alton T. Davis and all pleaded not guilty to one misdemeanor count and two felony counts of malicious destruction of property.

According to Crawford County Prosecutor John Huss, repairs to the running track may not be as costly as first thought. Original estimates were as high as \$29,000, but Huss discovered that repair of the damaged area, not replacement of the track, could run as low as \$3,000 to \$4,000. Football field repairs have amounted to about \$5,000 and were accomplished in August.

Crawford AuSable Schools Superintendent Kent Reynolds said the Board of Education is waiting for final word from the courts before a decision is made to replace or repair the track.

Reynolds said if the choice is made to only make repairs, the life of the track will be compromised. He said the Board will be reluctant to make any claims against the district's insurance policy in the event that the court does not award the cost of replacement. Reynolds said a claim for the track's replacement may ultimately make insurance costs rise.

Trial dates have been set for each defendant. Babbitt's trial is set to begin January 17, 2001; Tuck's trial is set to begin February 21, 2001; and Helsel's trial is set to begin February 26, 2001.

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GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT NOTES
by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.
FLAT FEET & SHIN SPLINTS
Shin splints are most often caused by the stress of exercise. People with flat feet whose feet pronate excessively are particularly susceptible to developing posterior tibial shin splints. The posterior tibial muscle-tendon unit, which originates on the back of the lower leg bone (tibia), travels down behind the inner ankle and attaches to the top of the arch of the foot. The tendon holds up the foot's arch. In flat-footed people, this muscle has to work much harder than it does in those with a well-developed arch. Pain resulting from the muscle fiber tearing usually begins within two to three hours of exercise and is described as a dull soreness. Later, the pain begins with exercise and intensifies.
To determine the best treatment for flat feet, shin splints, as well as other foot conditions, a podiatrist will examine the foot, perform a gait analysis and look at the patient's medical history, past medical problems, length and frequency of symptoms, types of current activities and pain and problems in other parts of the body. We offer comprehensive care for all foot problems at GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT & ANKLE CENTER, P.C., for feet of all shapes, sizes and ages. We're located at 1209 E. 8th Street, Traverse City. PH: 922-9100 & 800-968-7440. Offices in Traverse City, also Kalkaska Memorial Health Center Monday & Wednesday afternoons and evenings.
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ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Abraham lead in polls keeps growing and growing

SEPTEMBER WANES, and the days dwindle down to a precious few.

With the election only a few weeks away, that's all the time remaining for U.S. Rep. Debbie Stabenow to turn things around in the rowdy battle for Michigan's junior seat in the United States Senate.

For some reason, Sen. Spencer Abraham continues to build his lead over his feisty opponent, who has loads more candidate experience.

Debbie Stabenow has been a candidate many more times than Spencer Abraham, mostly in winning races.

She started on the Ingham County Commission, graduated to the state legislature, first house then senate. In all those campaigns, she won by comfortable margins.

In 1994, she ran for governor, lost in the primary, then joined the Howard Wolpe ticket to run for lieutenant governor, and lost twice in the same year.

Two years later, she was running again, and dumped first term Republican U.S. Rep.

Dick Chrysler in a costly and rambunctious campaign. Her reelection two years ago was relatively easy.

THE ABRAHAM route to elected office was quite different from the more traditional Stabenow political journey.

He has usually been the scenes rather than out front as a candidate. After several years of youthful political activity, he earned a Harvard law degree. In 1984, he became Republican state party chair, defeating the same Dick Chrysler for the job.

Spence Abraham worked closely with then state Sen. John Engler in building the Michigan Republican party, was on the short list for lieutenant governor when Bill Lucas ran for governor in 1986, and was integral in John Engler's upset win over Gov. James Blanchard in 1990.

When Democratic Sen. Don Riegler decided not to run for another term in 1994, Sen. Abraham jumped into the race and then defeated Rep. Bob Carr, who had been expected to win. That was the same year

Debbie Stabenow lost two campaigns.

Although Spence Abraham may be a relative novice as a candidate, he's no newcomer to the conduct of successful campaigns.

THE ABRAHAM ascent in this 2000 campaign has been gradual but steady. Just over a year ago, two statewide polls split on who was ahead, meaning the race was about even.

By March, just after the Michigan presidential primary, Rep. Stabenow had moved ahead in a poll by EPIC/MRA polling firm 41-35.

Since then, it has been increasingly encouraging for Sen. Abraham. The same firm's early July poll had him ahead 45-42, in the late August his edge nudged to 48-43, and a week or so ago it was 44-32 for Abraham. In four months, Sen. Abraham went from negative 6 points to positive 12 points, which is tremendous growth.

What's going on in this race? For one thing, all through this campaign

the undecided vote has been high, showing 24 percent in September. That's a lot of people still weighing their decisions, which also means a 12-point edge can be overcome and the race could still go either way.

IT'S BEEN a strange campaign, fought mostly through publicity releases and gimmicks, and 30 or 60 second TV ads galore.

All you can do in 30 or 60 seconds is poke and jab at your opponent, or flash warm fuzzy images of your own. Both candidates have used these tactics.

Not only have both candidates shoveled tons of money into TV advertising, so have support groups, theoretically not controlled by candidates but who share and oppose their views.

For example, an anti-immigration group, ostensibly seeking to protect American jobs, was out front early, castigating Sen. Abraham for trying to loosen immigration rules.

Other labor, party and liberal groups have paid for Stabenow ads, while the Abraham

cause has been boosted by ads paid for by party, business and conservative organizations.

But even with all the bombast and bluster of TV ads, only the most fervent friends of either candidate can decipher the truth or exaggeration of the ads, especially on prescription drugs and medical care. Which ads can we believe?

It's still an open race, but Sen. Abraham clearly is the front runner, especially this close to crunch time.

This hedged analysis comes from the same fearless (or foolhardy) columnist who, in his annual predictions for the new year last January, confidently forecast that Debbie Stabenow would win. So take this analysis for what it's worth and it may not be worth much on November 7.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

Redskin program offers worthwhile lessons

To the editor,

This is in response to the letter written by Steve Persing in the September 21 edition of the paper.

Should the citizens of Crawford County boycott and stop supporting the Redskin Football League because: The coaches dedicate countless hours on and off the field every week, transport children who do not have rides to games and, not to mention, teaching the youth of Crawford County extremely valuable lessons, such as dedication, commitment, good sportsmanship, how to play the sport of football, and how to interact in a team environment?

By pulling our children out of such a great environment, where so many lessons are being taught by an unselfish group of volunteers, would only show our youth and the future leaders of Crawford County, that

commitment and follow through are not important.

I am a parent that works out of town and I travel a great deal. Every free minute is valuable and I would never question waiting five to 20 minutes daily after practice when I know my child is benefiting greatly from the lessons he is being taught by a truly generous volunteer staff.

Mr. Persing, way to go on reinforcing how important commitment and follow through skills are to your child. Have you ever thought of volunteering in the program? That way your child and you would be done at the same time and you would not have to wait.

One last comment, Grayling Redskin volunteers are making a difference in the lives of our youth. You should be proud.

Kelly McMahon
Grayling

Redskin player says don't boycott

To the editor,

I am responding to the letter about the Redskins from last week's paper.

I am 13 years old and have been playing football for three years. I believe it would be very wrong to boycott the Redskin's program because there are over 120 Redskin players and cheerleaders that participate.

In the three years I've been playing for the Redskins I've learned leadership, respect and discipline. This program helps teach everyone

the fundamentals of football, and good sportsmanship. It also teaches kids about winning and losing. It is a great way to keep in shape.

Just because a boy's father doesn't have enough time for his son to play football, doesn't mean that he should try and take the Redskins away for all 120 of us. This program benefits both the parents and players alike.

Redskin forever,
Russell Peters
Grayling

Is sheriff a 'sore winner?'

To the editor,

Now that the primary is over, it is time to look at what kind of a "gracious" candidate was picked for our sheriff.

Since Tim Coe had the audacity to oppose our current sheriff, several nasty things have occurred.

1. Tim was taken off the road and put as a corrections officer without Tim asking for or wanting this position.

2. A corrections officer's rate of pay is lower than that of a road deputy. Since, according to union regulations, Tim's wages may not be lowered, the county is paying an excellent road deputy to not do the job he is trained to do.

3. It seems that if there was an opening for a corrections officer, someone should have been hired at that rate of pay, thereby saving the county money instead of hiring another road deputy when an excellent officer is being relocated.

This looks suspiciously like punishment for his desire to be sheriff. Does this make sense? Not in my estimation.

Are others feeling the heat of Tim's decision to run for office, thereby making a sham of the right to publicly back the candidate of their choice, or is Tim the only one being castigated?

Is our sheriff worried that Tim will run on a write-in vote? I, for one, hope he does.

We have known Dave (Lovely) for over 25 years and never felt he would deal in this manner over "healthy competition." I've heard of someone being a "sore loser," but a "sore winner" is ludicrous.

Bill and Marlene Harris
Grayling

Experience, taxpayers' money wasted on jail reassignment

To the editor,

I could not believe my ears when I heard that Tim Coe, who ran against Sheriff Lovely in the primary election (and lost), has been demoted from road patrol officer to a corrections job in the jail.

As I understand it, Deputy Coe was pulled off the road patrol and has not been replaced, with the result that our already inadequate road patrol (no patrol at all after midnight) is even more inadequate.

We were told by the county treasurer that there wasn't enough money in the budget for adequate road patrols, and yet we have a Crawford County Deputy with 17

years experience, and the pay grade to go with it, working in an entry level position in the jail.

Will the taxpayers have to pay to train him as a corrections officer, and then train a replacement road patrol officer?

We now have less police protection than we had before the primary election at an increased cost to the taxpayers. If this is done for the sake of retribution, then Sheriff Lovely should be penalized 10 yards for unsportsmanlike conduct. Shame on him!

Don Myers
Frederic

Redskins provides opportunity for students in non-public schools

To the editor,

This letter is in response to the letter of September 21, "Supportive parents deserve some respect," in which the writer voiced his displeasure with football practices running late, and recommended a boycott of the Redskins program. As a concerned parent of a Redskins player, I feel beholden to respond. I believe the coaches, who volunteer their time, should be given our full support.

This is my son's first year as a Redskins player. This program is especially important to my family because my son does not attend public school and is not eligible to participate in the public school programs. The Redskins may very well be his only chance to play in an organized football program. Should the families of Grayling agree to boycott the Redskins, his opportunity will be lost.

This sounds like a really self-interested reason to support the program, and it's true, it is self-interested. But, there's a lot more at stake than simply my son's participation. Unlike the school programs where only the best make the team, and only the best of the team get to play regularly, every child gets the chance to play in the Redskins program. Every child who wants to play gets the chance, regardless of physical prowess... or ability to cover the cost of playing. This, alone, makes the Redskins worthy of our support.

We all have problems with scheduling conflicts and running late. In my experience, the coaches have all

been accommodating; we have had a few time issues ourselves, and there's never been any problem arriving a little late or leaving a little early, missing a practice, or even a game, provided the coaches were notified in advance. Stuff happens.

If a parent has so little time flexibility, perhaps other accommodations could be made to get the boy home. I've coached baseball for six years and I regularly transported my share of players. Come to think of it, my son's Redskins coach has taken him home occasionally, too!

It was made clear that this father could have just taken his child off the field early, something many parents have had to do more than once this season. Unfortunately, he chose to rob his child of the chance to play the game.

Organized sports are important and teach our children a variety of necessary life skills. That's part of the reason I'm grateful for the Redskins program. That's also part of the reason I volunteer my time for Grayling Rec. sports programs.

I would like to take this chance to recognize the coaches and staff of the Redskins program for unselfishly volunteering their time and resources for the children of this area so that the kids can remember when they played in "the big game."

By the way, Mr. Persing, we could always use another volunteer coach...

Signed: The Proud Parent and Fan of a Redskins Player,

Scott F. Grougan
Grayling

Volunteers give their all to Redskin program

To the editor,

Mr. Persing, I was very sorry to read your letter and felt quite badly for your son because, Mr. Persing, you are not hurting the Redskins, you are depriving your son of playing a sport he probably loved.

You will also be hurting other boys and girls from a program that tries to promote sportsmanship, respect for others and, yes, winning

as well as losing.

All of the Redskins are volunteer parents that give their time to this program for free. I'm sure most of the coaches, etc. could be doing other things, but because of their caring for kids, they give their all to this program.

Judy Morgan
Grayling

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BRIEFS

Rep. Camp has new local address

U.S. Congressional District 4 Representative Dave Camp (R-Midland) recently announced the new address and phone numbers of his Houghton Lake office: 7190 West Houghton Lake Drive, Houghton Lake, MI 48629; phone: (517) 422-7792, fax: (517) 422-7843.

College Night planned at high school

The Grayling High School Counseling Office will host an evening of information October 3, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the high school media center, for parents and students in grades 9-11 who are considering attending college. Topics of discussion include selection of high school courses, standardized tests, co-curricular activities, choosing a college, and financial aid. Guest presenter will be Alex Torres, a Michigan State University admissions counselor. A financial aid seminar will be held December 5.

Sophomores offered ACT's PLAN Test

Grayling High School will offer ACT's PLAN Test to all college-bound sophomores. The test provides students with an idea of how they may perform on the ACT assessment taken in the junior or senior year and used for college admission. Test date at the high school is October 24; cost is \$8.25. Students need to register in the GHS Counseling Office by October 17.

PSAT offered to high school juniors

The PSAT Test will be offered to juniors at Grayling High School on October 17, during the first three hours of the school day. The test is a preview of the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test), and is used as a qualifying test for the National Merit Scholarship Program, as well as a qualifier for a Weyerhaeuser Company scholarship. The test is given nationally on only two dates. Cost is \$9.50 and is due with registration by October 2.

Senior Center plans fund-raiser dinner

On Saturday, September 30, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., the Commission on Aging's Senior Center (on Lawndale Street in Grayling) will be serving a Harvest Dinner to benefit the Meals-On-Wheels program. The program delivers hot meals to homebound senior citizens in Crawford County. The dinner includes chicken and ham with harvest veggies and apple pie. Everyone is welcome regardless of age. Cost is \$2 for kids under age nine and Seniors age 60 and above and their spouses. All others pay \$4.50. The Senior Center staff promises a delightful time.

Blessing of the Animals scheduled

St. Francis Episcopal Church on M72 West and other Grayling churches will celebrate the Blessing of the Animals, October 1 at 1 p.m. at St. Francis. Bring your water buffalo, ox, yak, dog, cat, mouse or any other pet. Please remember to keep animals on leashes or in cages for the safety of all. All donations to benefit the Animal Shelter of Crawford County.

Michelson plans all-you-can-eat lunch

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church will host a soup, sandwich, salad and dessert luncheon on Thursday, October 5, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. All-you-can-eat for \$4.50 per person. Take outs available; all are welcome.

River Valley Rug Hookers to meet

The River Valley Rug Hookers will meet at 1370 I-75 Business Loop on September 28 at 7 p.m. for their fall meeting. Members should bring their current projects, anything finished and any extra supplies as more new folks are joining the group. For more information, call 348-5356.

Retired state employees to meet

The regular meeting of North Central Area Chapter #19, State Employee Retirees Association will be held Tuesday, October 3 at the Houghton Lake Community Building, beginning at 2 p.m. Joe Sutton will speak on how to qualify for Medicaid during long-term care. All retired state employees and their spouses are encouraged to attend.

Sheriff's Office opens on the Web

The Crawford County Sheriff's Office has announced the release of their Web page. Information pertaining to the Sheriff's Office will be available on the Internet at www.crawfordsheriff.org. The site contains a wealth of local information such as trail conditions during snowmobile season, and the Sheriff is now accessible by e-mail by clicking on the feedback page/information request found at the site address mentioned above or by e-mailing directly to: queries@crawfordsheriff.org.

MSU-Extension offers arts and crafts workshop

A visual arts and crafts workshop will be offered October 21-22 at the Kettunen Center, located in Tustin, just outside of Cadillac.

Sessions to be offered are: stained glass, stone cottage birdhouses, mask making, pop-o-mania (pop-up art), scroll saw woodwork, rag rugs from recycled fabrics, traditional Chinese brush painting, multi-cultural crafts for five to eight year old children and treasure scrapbooks.

The featured speaker is Frank Ettawageshik, an Odawa (Ottawa) Indian, an internationally acclaimed potter of the Great Lakes

Indian tradition and a storyteller. Ettawageshik will provide a powerful message for youth and adults on celebrating life through the arts.

Teen participants must be 13 years of age by December 31. 4-H teens and adults pay only \$32 for room, meals and a resource fee. Additional art supply costs range from \$1-\$10 depending on the session that you choose.

Non 4-H volunteers pay \$64 plus any arts supply fees. Registration deadline is October 6. To register or for more information, contact the Crawford County MSU Extension office at 344-3264.

Library program yields happy bike winner

The Crawford County Library presented many activities for local children through its recent summer reading program. (Right) Alex Gabriel won a new bicycle through the program and said, "I have gone to the program in the summer for three years. I ride my bike all the time. It's really cool! I'll be there next year!"

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Photo submitted by the Crawford County Library



DEQ offers funding for scrap tire cleanup

According to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), the deadline to apply for funding under the Scrap Tire Cleanup Program is October 16.

The Legislature has appropriated \$600,000 from the Scrap Tire Regulatory Fund for this program in Fiscal Year 2001. The DEQ has issued more than \$6.1 million in cleanup grants since program funding began in 1993.

Only property owners with abandoned scrap tires and owners of scrap tires accumulated prior to January 1, 1991 at a collection site are eligible for funding.

The DEQ will reimburse owners of selected scrap tire collection sites for expenses incurred for the transportation of scrap tires from a

selected site, the processing of scrap tires by a Michigan scrap tire processor, and the delivery of scrap tires by the processor to an approved end-user.

The application and all supporting documents must be received or postmarked on or before Monday, October 16. The DEQ will not accept applications submitted by e-mail or facsimile (fax).

To receive an application contact the Scrap Tire Regulatory Program, Waste Management Division, Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 30241, Lansing, MI 48909, or call (517) 335-4035.

An application packet also can be downloaded from the DEQ Internet site at:

www.deq.state.mi.us/wmd/

Post office offers forwarding tips for departing 'snowbirds'

You're on your way to sunny Florida for the next few months to get away from the cold, and you want to make sure you get your mail. Make the first leg of your trip a visit to your local post office to complete and Official Mail Forwarding Change of Address Form, PS Form 3575.

"Snowbirds" may also access the United States Postal Service's web site at www.usps.com and obtain the form on-line by clicking on "Address Change" on the menu bar.

On the form it is very important that you indicate that the move is temporary. Second, note the exact month, day, and year when the mail forwarding should be discontinued.

Once the temporary change is registered, your First-Class Mail and Priority Mail will be forwarded to you for up to 12 months at no charge.

Periodicals will be forwarded for 60 days. At the end of the 60-day period, the publisher will be notified that you are temporarily away.

Garden club plans meetings

The Grayling Garden Club, Beyond the Garden Wall, will meet at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 5 to hold a plant and seed exchange and to learn how to make garden stepping stones.

Also, the club will meet on November 2 for candle-making with natural trimmings and December 7 to make Christmas centerpieces and exchange cookies.

New, as well as experienced gardeners are invited to attend any or all of these meetings. The club features instruction on gardening applicable to this area, as well as community outreach.

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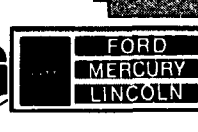
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The Bible Speaks

Baby Killers

The Jesus Seminar is a group of Bible scholars meeting together to determine who Jesus Christ was, what He has said. You may have read the story from Red China titled, "Chinese kill baby to enforce birth rule." The world was shaken by one of the most horrifying cases of official infanticide in recent memory after family planners drowned a healthy baby in front of its parents. A Mrs. Liu was forcibly injected with a saline solution to induce labour and kill her child. She had committed the terrible crime violating China's one child rule. Instead of dying, the baby was born alive and taken home by the parents. Five officials from the village of Caidian, in the central Hubei province were waiting in their living room. The officials grabbed the baby, dragged it out of the house and drowned it in a paddy field in front of its parents.

Infanticide is considered the most wicked violation of basic human rights to most civilized human beings. However, in America we face hypocrisy on this subject which threatens to undermine our entire legal and moral system. Those who value human life face refusal to publicly print or publish their objections to partial-birth-abortion in the name of being too graphic, disturbing, or in poor taste.

The Focus on the Family placed an ad in the Post which featured a six-panel cartoon strip, with brief commentary below it. Panel one showed the head of a sleep-

ing unborn infant, his head on his arms. The words in the panel were: "It was a big day for the little one! He was just minutes away from being America's newest citizen!" In panel two the baby's eyes are open. The words are: "The time had come. He heard new sounds! He felt movement!" The baby's head and shoulders have moved toward the bottom right of panel three, in which the words say: "He was being pushed through a small place! A gloved hand grasped his tiny feet!" Only the head remains in panel four, which reads: "He felt air touch his body for the first time! His hands were free!" Panel five, in which the baby's eyes are again closed, reads: "Then he felt a sharp pain at the base of his skull! He jerked violently! And then... it was over!" The sixth panel, showing the facade of the Supreme Court, reads: "And the Supreme Court, in its wisdom, said, 'So, what's the problem?'" Below the cartoon strip, the ad reads: "Here's the problem: Five more seconds and they'd go to the cradle, instead of the grave. Partial birth abortion. Does this seem right to anyone?"

Why did newspapers like USA Today and The New York Times refuse to run this ad? How can a picture, a cartoon, or a factual description of a moral controversy be considered worse than the real thing? Only to support the censorship of liberal hypocrisy!

It's easy to criticize infanticide when it

is practiced in China. However, infanticide in America by any name is defended as right if it helps fulfill the liberal agenda of the hour. But God is no respecter of persons. (Ex. 23:7) "Keep thee far from a false matter; and the innocent and righteous slay thou not: for I will not justify the wicked." (Deut. 27:25) "Cursed be he that taketh reward to slay an innocent person. And all the people shall say, Amen." (Deut. 30:19) "I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live." In a choice between life and death, always choose life!

Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Websites at: <http://onramp.i2k.com/~cba/> and at <http://www.i2k.com/~cba/index.html>

We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn Bible prophecy. Join us in a verse by verse study of the book of Revelation each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

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Food distribution program coming to Crawford County

Veterans of Foreign Wars Carl W. Borchers Post & Auxiliary 3736 will be re-certifying senior citizens and families with a low income for the "T-Fab" food distribution program in Crawford County on October 10, and October 24, at the senior citizen center on Lawndale Street from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Even though citizens may have been receiving this food supplement, in order to receive the food distribution in November they will have to be recertified.

Proof of income of all members in the household that is being certified is required, as well as identification of the head of household. If Food Stamps, AFDC, SSI, Medicaid or General Assistance is received, people are eligible for this program.

Any resident of Crawford County

that feels they might qualify will have to bring proof of gross income, that is a total of cash receipts before taxes, for every working person in the household.

A household is a single individual group of related or non-related individuals, an immediate family or extended family who are living as one economic unit and for whom food is customarily purchased and prepared in common. Identification is required for head of household.

Eligibility is based on wages and salaries before any deductions, receipts from non-farm and farm self-employment, regular payments from social security, railroad retirement, unemployment compensa-

tion, strike benefits, veterans' benefits, public assistance including SSI, training stipends, alimony, private pensions, government employee annuity payments and income from dividends, interest, rent, royalties, or periodic receipts from estates or trusts.

Exempt incomes are capital gains, tax refunds, student loans, Medicare premium deducted from social security and child support.

Food products and funding are made available to the states on the basis of the number of persons unemployed and those below the poverty level. Please do not call the Senior Center for information on

MERCY BIRTHS

Terry and Dawn Fell of Fairview announce the arrival of Terry Ray Fell Jr. born September 5, 2000.

Scott and Rebekah Wallace of Grayling, announce the arrival of Zachary William Wallace born September 6, 2000.

Mark and Theresa Henninger of Gaylord announce the arrival of Haley Kristine Henninger born

September 8, 2000.

Jerry Drouillard and Shannon Burnett of Grayling announce the arrival of Cody Lee Drouillard born September 12, 2000.

Ronald and Margie Poston of Grayling announce the arrival of Dakota William Samuel Poston born September 13, 2000.

Church Directory

Do you sometimes, in spite of yourself, sneak a peek at your reflection as you pass a mirror? Are you perhaps curious as to what others see? That peek may partially answer your questions, but others usually observe us when we are not aware. How do you react to worry...to tragedy? This is the true reflection of God in your life.

There are those people who demonstrate a generally jovial attitude. They seem to have a serene countenance, even in the worst of times. They are a true reflection of God as they live love and faith. God's love is perpetuated in their smiles... their eyes.

Worship regularly. Pray often. The Bible tells us we are made in the image of our Creator. May we always be His true reflection.



God's True Reflection

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
James 1:1-11	James 1:12-27	James 2:1-13	James 2:14-26	James 3:1-18	James 4:1-17	James 5:1-12

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Bible Study (Wed.), 10:30 am
Children's Sunday School, 11:00 a.m.
Junior Church, 11:30 a.m.

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Church Service, 9:30 am
Sabbath School, 10:30 am
Prayer Meeting Tues, 7 pm

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Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278
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Sunday School, 10 am
Sunday Service & Children's Church, 11 am
Sunday Evening Service, 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting, 7 pm
Wednesday Bible Study, 7 pm
Thursday Discipleship Class, 7 pm
Significant Singles Monday, 7 pm

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Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8885 • Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School, 9:30 am
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Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children, 7 pm

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President George D. Rasin
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord
Sacrament, 10 am
Primary School, 11 am
Primary, 11 am
Priesthood, 12 noon
Relief Society, 12 noon

Emma Lowery United Church Of Christ
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne
Sunday Worship, 11 am
Adult and Youth Sunday School, 9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
1/4 mile west of I-75
Sunday School, 9:45 am
Morning Worship, 11 am
Evening Worship, 6 pm
Wednesday, 7 pm

St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
Pastor Wayne Knockel
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Sunday School, 9:15 am
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Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Pastors Lacey and Carol Stephan
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P.O. Box 1188
Church School, 9:45 am
Preaching, 11 am
Midweek Service Prayer, 7 pm

Gaylord Christian Reformed
Rev. V. Schaap
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Sunday School, 9:45 am
Morning Worship, 11 am
Evening Service, 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study, 7:30 pm

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700-708 Peninsula - 348-7657
Sabbath Eucharist
Saturday Vigil Mass, 6 pm
Sunday Masses, 8:00 am
Family Mass, 10:00 am
Scripture Study (Sundays), 9:15 am
Daily Masses, 8:30 am
Wednesday & Fridays, 8:30 am

First Baptist Church of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School, 9:45 am
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Evening Worship, 6 pm
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Blessing Radio (Internet) <http://blessing-radio.com>

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Morning Worship, 10:30 am
Evening Worship, 6 pm
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Wednesday, 7 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.), 7 pm

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Sunday Mornings on TV 29 & 8, 9 am
Sunday Classes, 10 am
Sunday Worship, 11 am
Sunday Evening, 6 pm
Wednesday
Mid-Week Bible Study, 7 pm

Bear Lake Christian
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday School, 9 am
Sunday Service, 10 am

The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message
Pastor Paul Rolfe
7662 Kelly Ave., Frederic
Sunday Worship, 10 am & 7 pm
Wed. Prayer Service, 7 pm

Abundant Life Tabernacle
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From despair to hope - day care center flourishes

Smiling faces were everywhere on August 16 at the first annual Crawford AuSable Daycare picnic and open house.

Recently, Crawford AuSable Daycare hosted a picnic and open-house for parents and community members to thank everyone for their support. Parents and staff had a reason to celebrate.

Just six months earlier, the daycare center announced it would close due to financial difficulties. With Crawford AuSable Daycare providing daycare and preschool services to the community of Grayling for over 20 years, shocked parents rallied together and said "no the center can't close!"

It was then apparent that community members and parents were not willing to give up the daycare center without a fight. Donations poured in from community members which allowed the Daycare Center to stay open for an additional month, giving it time to restructure its financial policies and allow parents and staff to organize support committees.

Over the past six months, Crawford AuSable Daycare has been able to raise over \$4000 from various fundraisers. Fund raising money has allowed for the purchase of paint and new equipment for the Daycare Center. Weekend work bees of concerned parents and staff have given the daycare center a



Photo courtesy of Crawford AuSable Daycare

Staff, parents, children and community members are celebrating their success in keeping the Crawford AuSable Daycare open. Over the past six months they have raised over \$4,000 to give the Daycare a facelift and restructure financial policies.

facelift. Old playground equipment has been removed, new brightly colored paint adorns the walls, and new fencing is in the process of

being installed. Brochures outlining the center's services were printed. In six short months, the Crawford AuSable Daycare and Preschool

has gone from despair to hope, and is celebrating the fact it is able to continue to offer its services to parents this fall.

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Sister Jean Umfor, BSN, RN will serve as the facilitator of Mercy's new program, a four-part series on cancer support offered during the month of October at Mercy Hospital.

Grayling beginning October 3. "Support and education are part of healing and hope for those who are facing or have faced a diagnosis of cancer. Our program is centered on

the sharing of a belief that cancer is a disease that a person can live with, rather than die from," states Sister Jean.

"Promoting Comfort and Support for Cancer Patients and their Families" will meet every Tuesday from 6:30 - 8 pm. Week one will feature an opportunity to learn Therapeutic Touch techniques as well as general introductions and sharing experiences.

Week Two will present the techniques of aromatherapy and guided imagery; a registered dietitian will present information on nutrition at the Week Three program and on the final session, Week Four, instruction and information on hand and foot massage will be given.

The series is at no charge to participants with family and friends encouraged to attend.

"I was devastated while facing this disease, more so later in the disease process when my physician discovered that cancer had been found in my lymph nodes, rather than upon the initial diagnosis of breast cancer."

"While receiving medical treatment, I sought out and received support from others who had faced what I am facing, co-workers and of course, my family. I especially needed support after the medical treatment was over - the disconnection from my health care providers, after seeing so much of them in a relatively short time, was difficult and

made me feel insecure and somewhat alone."

"I encourage those who have completed treatment but continue to need comfort and support to consider participating in this program - it is for individuals who have faced cancer but are now cancer free as much as it is for those who are in current medical treatment", indicates Sharon Klinger, co-facilitator of the series."

"Five techniques will be offered which have been proven to work in enhancing the comfort and support for cancer patients. We are confident that at least one technique will work for each participant, if not more", states Umfor. "The support and sharing are invaluable as well."

Registration is required for this program by calling Mercy Hospital at (517) 348-0708.

Latest breast form technology available


The Looking Glass Shoppe, a resource for women who have had mastectomies, will introduce new breast form technology during its fall open house at MidMichigan Visiting Nurse Support Services, located at 206 Health Parkway in Houghton Lake on Friday, October 6 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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United Way executive director named

Jerry Gosnell, President of the Crawford County United Way, has announced the selection of Don Schanz as Executive Director.

"Our Board of Directors is very excited about having Don join the United Way in this capacity," Gosnell said. "He brings a broad set of experiences and a strong commitment to Crawford County to this position."

"The work of the United Way organization is very important to the residents of Crawford County. It is time to have a person on board who can coordinate fund raising so we can meet the ever increasing needs of local agencies and individuals," he concluded.

Schanz is a recently retired Region Human Resource Manager with Weyerhaeuser Company. He and his wife, Rae Ann, moved back to Grayling in January.



Don Schanz

"It's great to be back home in Grayling and both Rae Ann and I are excited about helping where we can to support Grayling and Crawford County," commented Schanz.

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Kirtland Community College enrollment increases as services increase

Kirtland Community College's Director of Student Services, Stacey Barnes, says that as of September 8 her department had registered 1,241 students for the Fall semester, an increase of 64 or 5.4% over the same period one year ago.

Barnes reports that the number of credit hours taken by the students,

11,061, represents an increase of 3.2% over the number of credit hours students registered for in the Fall of 1999.

"We think there are several factors which have contributed to the increased numbers," said KCC President Charles D. Rorie. "Everyone: admissions staff mem-

bers, faculty members, coaches, administrators, even students, have worked very hard to increase our marketing efforts, to let folks know about our programs.

"We've also offered limited on-campus housing this year which attracted student-athletes and other students who might not otherwise have come here.

"We've begun a long life inter-

collegiate athletics program with teams competing in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association.

"We've been encouraging students to take advantage of distance learning opportunities like on-line courses and courses on tape; we started FLEX, or Flexible Learning Experience, a program that allows students to enroll in and exit from

courses at their convenience and progress at their own rate of speed.

"We've made it easier for our Cosmetology students to move through their required contact hours in a shorter overall time period; we've streamlined our registration process; and, we recently signed an agreement with the Michigan

Army/Air National Guard at Camp Grayling which provides tuition discounts for Guard members.

"These are just a few of the things we've been doing this past year which I feel have had an accumulated effect on enrollment," Rorie concluded. Kirtland currently offers 57 degree and certificate programs.

Area Visitors Council director attends 6th annual conference



Job providers, local officials and state lawmakers recently gathered at Crystal Mountain Resort in Thompsonville for the sixth annual Northern Lower Michigan Legislators' Conference on Tourism. Among those participating were Grayling Area Visitors Council Director Ilene Geiss-Wilson and State Rep. Ken Bradstreet (R-Gaylord).

Floor covering store hires new salesman

Floor Covering Brokers of Gaylord recently hired Joe Hickerson to be part of their sales team.

Hickerson has lived in Gaylord for the past 40 years, a 1973 graduate of St. Mary's High School, he attended North Central Michigan College in Petoskey. He and his

wife, Micki, were married in 1976 and have four daughters.

Hickerson started his career in floor covering when he was 15 years old. Over the years he has developed a very successful career in retail and commercial sales with a large clientele, including builders, individual home and business owners.

Sign language workshop offered

Kirtland Community College is hosting a workshop related to sign language interpreting. Deaf Awareness Week is celebrated September 24-30 as well. On Thursday, September 28, Kirtland will downlink a teleconference, "Post-secondary Interpreting: Roles, Responsibilities and Readiness," from 2 p.m.-4 p.m. at the Continuing Education Center on campus. Carole Chilton, director of Special Populations, is the contact person for the teleconference. She may be reached at (517) 275-5000 ext. 218.

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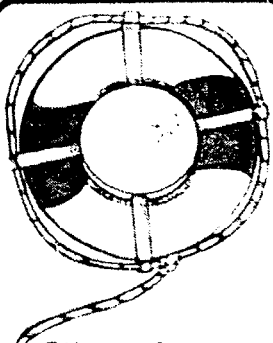
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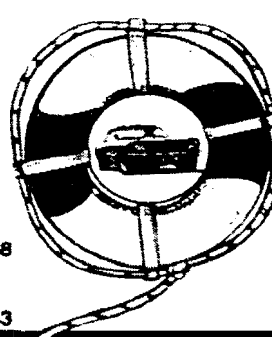
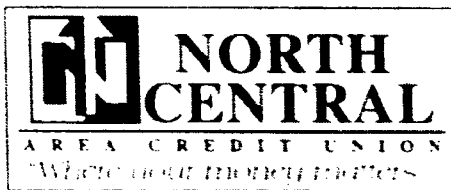
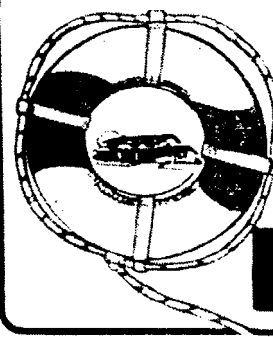
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OPINIONS

Bush's tax plan is 'the American way'

To the editor,

Please consider this letter a response to Mr. Reidelberger's political statements. Mr. Reidelberger appears to belong to the same club as those guilty of taking Bible verses completely out of context when trying to prove an invalid point. Please allow me to focus on a few of Mr. Reidelberger's statements.

1. You state 2% of our entire population will get a \$46,000 tax break. Why did you omit the total tax dollars paid by that 2%? What about the thousands of jobs that 2% created -- oh, and you forgot to list their contributions to hospitals, colleges, and charities.

2. You state the poorest of our country will get \$42. Is that in addition to the Earned Income Credit (which often refunds more than was paid), child care credit, free breakfast and lunch at school, food stamps, home heating credit, rent

subsidy, college tuition, Medicaid, the WIC program, and all the other "help" programs you forgot to mention?

3. You emphasize the "rich 2%" and the "poor" 20%, but you never mention the huge 78% most of us fall into -- why? Under the GOP plan, those with a household income of \$39,300 to \$64,900 will receive an average tax cut of \$876 or 16.2%.

Mr. Reidelberger, if you are really interested in "fairness," how about this proposal: Instead of giving Sam Walton's widow \$42,000, let's give her \$1 for every job created by Wal-Mart from day one, and let us not forget the jobs created by those jobs. You see, Mr. Reidelberger, jobs are like people... they reproduce. One dollar per job sounds like a bargain to me, even though it would be far, far more than \$42,000.

A huge worry for us working folks is inflation and that is the path Mr. Gore is paving. You quote from "Citizens for Tax Justice" instead of a real person we can question. I submit the following real information provided by Mr. John H. Makin, resident scholar at the American Enterprise Institute:

Mr. Bush's plan is much less like-

ly to be inflationary -- lower taxes result in an increase in demand, also in an increase in supply, in goods and services thus no inflation. Higher taxes (Gore's plan) increases demand without helping the economy produce more and significantly higher spending is therefore "unambiguously inflationary." Lower taxes, Bush's plan, means you can spend your money how you choose -- sounds like "the American way" to me.

As a responsible American, it is essential to be an informed voter. Read all you can on both sides of the issues from more than a couple of sources.

Then you can decide how your tax dollars are used.

By the way, Mr. Reidelberger, would you provide us readers with a list of impoverished Democratic politicians? How about a job history for Mr. Gore -- real jobs with earned wages and tax deductions -- did he have to pay for medical coverage?

Please, Mr. Reidelberger, don't assume *Avalanche* readers and Grayling citizens are so uninformed.

Lynda C. Long
Uniontown, PA

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of The Crawford County *Avalanche*.

Law abiding citizens should have right to carry concealed weapons

To the editor,

It is very disturbing to see there are a number of "Moms" that believe in the Clinton-Gore scare tactics about guns.

These uninformed "Moms" are campaigning against Governor Bush because he signed the Concealed Carry Bill in Texas. That bill has given the honest, law abiding citizens who pass all the criteria of owning and carrying a gun, the right to protect themselves, their families and their loved ones.

In Professor John Lott's book, "More Guns - Less Crime," his

extensive study states that each gun carried by an honest, law abiding citizen protects about five people. Wouldn't it be wonderful if the honest, law abiding citizens were carrying their guns in the schools and banks, rather than the criminals and deranged persons that are now inhabiting these so-called gun-free zones.

Think about it, "Moms," you haven't had any Columbine High School problems in Texas. If we are fortunate enough to have Governor Engler sign a Concealed Carry Law in Michigan, we, too, could have the right to protect ourselves and our loved ones.

As a longtime policeman, it was always welcomed when a citizen would say, "Can I help you, officer?" and then backed me up.

When guns are outlawed, only outlaws will have guns. Crime will be up as it is in England, Canada, Australia, New York City, and Washington, D.C., where citizens are not allowed to have guns.

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| 2. Baltimore | 12. Seattle |
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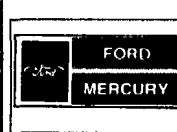
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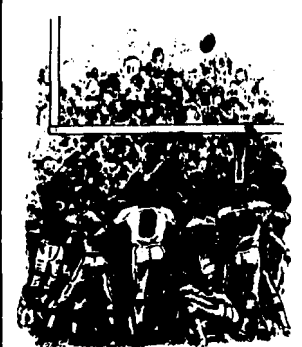
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The travelogue film was filmed and produced by Fran and Brooke Reidelberger, with narration by Fran.

The film takes the audience on a journey of The Romantic Road, from Fussen to Wurzburg, visiting walled villages and towns, where thimbles and nutcrackers are made. In Frankfurt, a visit to the zoo and botanical gardens is included, as well as a tour of the Gutenberg museum. Visit Ulm, the birthplace of Albert Einstein and the home of Europe's tallest cathedral spire. Then stop in Triberg to learn about Black Forest pastries, cuckoo clocks and Germany's highest waterfall.

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Romantic Road in Bavaria

VFW to give away scholarships in 'Voice of Democracy' contest

Young orators have until November 1, to submit audio-essays to their sponsoring Post or Auxiliary, as entries in the Voice of Democracy scholarship competition, jointly sponsored by the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary.

Voice of Democracy is the VFW's and its Ladies Auxiliary's premier youth scholarship program. Open to students in the 9th through 12th grades, it provides more than \$2.5

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The Voice of Democracy program is open to students in the 9th through 12th grades enrolled in public, private, parochial high schools or home-schooled students in the U.S., its territories or its possessions. Students may be a dependent of U.S. military or civilian personnel in overseas schools. Foreign exchange students are excluded.

Voice of Democracy's format requires contestants to write a three to five minute original essay recorded on audio cassette. The essay should be spoken in English. No background music or other enhancement is allowed. Students should not verbally identify themselves or in any way, name their city, their state or school. This year's theme is: "What Price Freedom?"

Entry deadline is November 1, 2000. All entries must be submitted through your high school or directly to your Veterans of Foreign Wars Post or Auxiliary on or before the November 1 deadline.

Contact Marie Scott, President of the Auxiliary, 348-2272 or Yetteve Szkotnicki, Quartermaster, 348-9806, for information. You may also log onto the internet at www.vfw.org/vod.

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October is Cancer Awareness Month

Breast Cancer Guidelines:

One in nine women develop breast cancer. If detected in its early stages, breast cancer can be treated. Women 20 years and older should perform breast self-exams every month, as well as having a physical examination of the breast done by a health care provider every three years. In addition, women 40 and older should have an annual physical examination of the breast in combination with a mammogram.

Prostate Cancer Guidelines:

Prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in men. With the incident of prostate cancer increasing with age, men 50 years of age and older should have an annual prostate-specific antigen (PSA) test and a digital rectal exam. In addition, men 45 years and older who are at risk for prostate cancer — such as those with two or more affected relatives (a father or brother) — should be tested annually.

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October 3, 10, 17, 24, 6:30 - 8 pm

Returning to Wholeness Retreat

A four-day retreat providing physical, emotional, and spiritual support for those living with cancer. For more information, call 1-800-4-MUNSON (800-468-6766).

Northport Bay Retreat
November 6 - 10



Call 1-800-33-MERCY (800-336-3729).
 For a complete list of offerings visit www.mercygrayling.com.

Heartsaver and Pediatric Basic Life Support

For those who want to learn adult and pediatric CPR and choking rescue. There will be no testing of skills. Cost is \$20. Registration is required by calling (517) 348-6558.
Mercy Hospital Grayling – Crawford Room
October 4, 6 - 10 pm

Diabetes Support Group

A health care professional will guide you through discussion and coping strategies. There is no cost to attend. To register, call (517) 348-0455.

Mercy Family Care – Roscommon
October 5, 1 - 2 pm
Mercy Community Health Center – Prudenville
October 12, 1 - 2 pm

Free Blood Pressure and Blood Glucose Screening Clinic

Preregistration will be held in the lobby.
Mercy Hospital Grayling
October 10, 2:30 - 5:30 pm

Lamaze Class

Cost to attend is \$35 if your delivery will be at Mercy Hospital Grayling and \$75 if your delivery will be elsewhere. Preregistration is required by calling (517) 348-0708.
Mercy Hospital Grayling
October 12 - November 9, 7 - 9 pm

Diabetes Education Program

To help those with diabetes who want to take control of their lives. Family members are invited to join at no extra charge. For an appointment, call (517) 348-0380.
Mercy Hospital Grayling
Mercy Family Care – Roscommon
Mercy Community Health Center – Prudenville

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OBITUARIES

Emma C. Knibbs

Dec. 5, 1896 - Sept. 24, 2000

Emma C. Knibbs, 103, of Grayling, died at Health Source in Saginaw on September 24, 2000.

Mrs. Knibbs was born in Sigsbee, but was a lifelong resident of Grayling. She married Albert Knibbs in July of 1917, and he preceded her in death in 1956.

Mrs. Knibbs was a member of the Ladies National League, and a lifelong member of the Mercy Hospital Auxilliary. Mrs. Knibbs worked as a cook at the Grayling Restaurant for many years and then worked at Krams Dry Goods (Mabel's). She loved to crochet and play bingo.

She leaves one daughter: Alberta (George) Wiggins of Saginaw, one granddaughter: Susan (George) Bourcier of Saginaw, one Grandson: Ned (Marilyn) Wiggins, of St. Charles, five great grandchildren and 11 great - great grandchildren.

Visitation was held on September 26 from 4 - 7 pm at Sorenson Funeral Home. The funeral will be held on September 27, 2000 at 11 am with Rev. George Morse officiating. Burial will be at the Elmwood Cemetery in Grayling. The family requests memorial donations be made to Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church.

Onalee M. Cragg

July 22, 1928 - Sept. 26, 2000

Onalee M. Cragg, 72, of Grayling, died at home on September 26, 2000.

Mrs. Cragg was born in Mt. Morris, but had been a resident of Grayling for 25 years. She married Duane Cragg on Dec. 7, 1947 in Mt. Morris. She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, Barry Cragg on October 26, 1999, and one brother, Veron Severn.

Mrs. Cragg enjoyed cooking, painting pictures, drafting house plans and cross word puzzles. She also enjoyed garage sales.

She leaves her husband, Duane; and three sons: Steve Cragg of Grayling, Bruce (Sherrie) Cragg of Grayling, and Bryan (Melanie) Cragg of Grayling, along with two sisters: Shirley (Maynard) Cragg of Clio, and Doris (Fred) Osmund of Clio and 11 grandchildren and seven great - grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 10-11 am on Sept. 29, with the funeral following at 11am, at the Calvary Baptist Church in Grayling. Pastor Robert Barnett officiating.

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank Dr. Douglas Slater and associates, nurses, visitors, friends and everyone who sent cards and said prayers. A special thanks to Tom Hunt for his daily visits while I was a patient at Mercy Hospital and Father Bob Nally.

God Bless You All,
Irv McIsaac

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank the people who were so helpful during my recent hospitalization. Lynn for her thoughtfulness towards my family as well as myself.

Thanks to Dietary for the flowers, and visits. Especially thanks to the many friends who called and inquired as to my health concerns.

Last but certainly not least to my family, who was there beside me all through every thing with me. Every last thought was appreciated.

Thank you.

Jackie Helsel

Card of Thanks

A personal thank you to my family, relatives and friends during my surgery and recovery, for prayers, cards, flowers, food and good wishes.

I thank you all again from the bottom of my heart.

Tootie Wylie

St. Clair, Childers to wed



Daniel Richard Childers and Joni Lynn St. Clair

Mr. John St. Clair and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph (Mary) Swanic, all of Grayling, announce the engagement of their daughter, Joni Lynn St. Clair to Daniel Richard Childers. Daniel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James (Sandra) Childers of Farmersville, Texas. St. Clair and Childers are currently serving in the U.S. Navy, stationed in Japan. A December wedding is planned.

DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT NO. 10

District Health Department No. 10 has scheduled the following clinics at the Grayling office. Appointments are recommended or required for all clinics. Please call 348-7800 for information on these clinics and our Environmental Health Services.

Call for appointment:

Immunization Clinics: October 4 and 18;

Family Planning: October 3, 10

and 24;

Premarital Class: October 18;

Optional/Confidential HIV/AIDS testing: October 11 and 25;

WIC Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: October 4, 12, 13, 16, 18, 23, 25, 26 and 30;

Maternal Support Service for Pregnant Women: Call for information:

Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening: October 11, Call 1-800-968-7300 to schedule an appointment. This Program is available to women ages 40-64, who have limited or no health insurance.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training Session: Conducted in Cadillac Office: Call (231) 775-9942 for an appointment.

GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

The Grayling Police Department handled the following complaints during the week of September 17 - 23: Two false alarms, one animal control complaint, four misdemeanor arrests, one assault, one stalking, six assists to other departments, 11 check law violations, two domestic complaints, three juvenile complaints, four larcenies, one malicious destruction of property, three motorist assists, one OUIL, three suspicious situations, three private property accidents, three traffic accidents, five civil infractions citations, two misdemeanor citations, and 14 unclassified complaints. Nine traffic warnings were also given.

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NOW SHOWING
SEPT. 29 - OCT. 5

Urban Legends: Final Cut - R (99)

Starring - Jennifer Morrison & Joseph Lawrence

• 7 & 9 nightly • Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4

Remember The Titans - PG (143)

Starring - Denzel Washington

• 7 & 9 nightly • Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4

The Bait - R (119)

Starring - Jamie Foxx

• 9:15 nightly • Sat. & Sun. 4:15

Space Cowboys - PG-13 (130)

Starring - Clint Eastwood & Tommy Lee Jones

• 7 & 9:15 nightly • Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4:15

The Replacements - PG-13 (118)

Starring - Gene Hackman & Kevin Spacey

• 7 nightly • Sat. & Sun. 2

Hollow Man - R (118)

Starring - Kevin Bacon & Elizabeth Shue

• 7 & 9:15 nightly • Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4:15

Highlanders - Endgame - R (108)

Starring - Donnie Yen

• 7 & 9 nightly • Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4:15

Evenings - Adults \$6 • Children \$4.50

• Seniors \$5

• Tuesday Senior Matinee \$2

Matinees - All Seats \$4.50

It Takes More Than Builders To Build Our Nation's Homes

September is Associate Member Appreciation Month and we at Tri-Lakes Home Builders Association would like to acknowledge and THANK all of our Associate Members. They are vital partners with builders and remodelers in building, remodeling, financing and selling safe and affordable homes and strengthening local neighborhoods. Associates have generously and enthusiastically given their valuable time, talent and energy to association and community service projects across the country. Associate members truly make a difference! It takes an average of 15 to 20 different subcontractors to build one home. Consider how many manufacturers, suppliers, and subcontractors are responsible for the truckloads of materials used in building a 2,085 square foot, single family house:

- 13,127 board feet of framing lumber
- 13.97 tons of concrete
- 3,100 square feet of roofing material
- 6,144 square feet of interior wall material
- 15 windows
- 1 kitchen sink
- 7 closet doors
- 1 patio door
- 1 fireplace
- 3 bathroom sinks
- 1 range, 1 refrigerator, 1 dishwasher, 1 garbage disposal, 1 range hood, 1 washer, 1 dryer
- 6,212 square feet of sheathing
- 2,325 square feet of exterior siding material
- 3,061 square feet of insulation
- 120 linear feet of ducting
- 13 kitchen cabinets, 2 other cabinets
- 12 interior doors
- 2 exterior doors
- 2 garage doors
- 3 toilets, 2 bathtubs, 1 shower stall
- 2,085 square feet of flooring material

And behind the scenes, there's even more to the home building business than bricks and sticks. Indispensable professional specialties and financial services:

- accountants
- planners, designers
- marketing, advertising
- insurance, title companies
- realtors
- architects
- legal services
- commercial bankers
- utilities
- engineers
- computer services
- mortgage bankers
- property managers

Look For Our Fall Home Improvement Tab Inside This Week's Avalanche

Where will you find one of the top 13 heart programs in the country?

Right in your own back yard.

Thanks to Munson Healthcare's partnership with Mercy Hospital

Grayling and the collaboration of area physicians, hundreds of people

from the Grayling and Roscommon areas have received life-saving

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By coordinating patient care, we are achieving earlier diagnosis and

treatment - leading to longer, healthier lives.

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bypass surgery and angioplasty - one of only 13

hospitals in the country to receive recognition

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Q. I'M TAKING NATURAL VITAMINS BUT THEY DON'T SEEM TO BE WORKING?

A. YOUR VITAMINS ARE NOT NATURAL AND THEY MAY BE SLOWLY KILLING YOU.

Sounds strange, doesn't it. Unfortunately, the truth is, supplements which the vast majority of people buy in stores, strongly encouraged by those who really don't know any better and marketed by profit and hype can do more harm than good. The problem lies in the fact that most supplements are produced chemically as a single chemical or element, artificially, and devoid of the combined effect of the vitamin complex as it is found in nature. Only vitamins that are produced from living plants can yield all the necessary combinations of nutrients, enzymes, coenzymes, antioxidants, amino acids and trace minerals found in the organic state. What is purchased in stores are lifeless, incomplete (fractionated) chemicals that are no longer capable of inducing its normal metabolic effect and function. Science cannot make a carrot. Hence, taking chemically pure parts of what exists in nature can and does yield a serious and progressive imbalance of vitamins which is worse than a deficiency. When you consume single (chemical) parts, your body must metabolize such parts as a (living) whole by using up any storage available to do so creating a true deficiency of what you desired to stop to begin with.

A STEERING WHEEL AND YOUR SEAT ARE PARTS OF A CAR BUT WITHOUT THE ENTIRE COMPLEX OF THE CAR YOU HAVE NOTHING COMPLETE, FUNCTIONAL OR BENEFICIAL. MOREOVER, HAVING EVEN ALL THE PARTS OF A CAR IN A HEAP ON THE FLOOR DOES NOT MAKE IT A WORKING CAR.

- SYNTHETIC VITAMIN C (ASCORBIC ACID), CAN CAUSE DIARRHEA, INCREASE URINARY OXALATE EXCRETION SO CAUSE KIDNEY STONES, CAUSE EXCESS ABSORPTION OF IRON, ENHANCE ALUMINUM ABSORPTION, AND CAUSE REBOUND SCURVEY. EXCESS INTAKE CAN CAUSE A COPPER DEFICIENCY.
- HIGH DOSES OF SYNTHETIC B VITAMINS LIKE B1 CAN INDUCE IMBALANCES OF OTHER VITAMIN B FRACTIONS AND CONTRIBUTE TO HEART DISEASE AND ARRHYTHMIA'S.
- SYNTHETIC VITAMIN E CAN CAUSE A GAMMA OR OTHER TOCOPHEROL DEFICIENCY WHICH WILL LEAVE YOU MORE PRONE TO CANCER AND HEART DISEASE.
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- SYNTHETIC B6 CAN CAUSE SENSORY NEUROPATHY WITH PAIN, NUMBNESS AND WEAKNESS IN THE LIMBS. NUMBNESS AND TINGLING OF THE HANDS AND FEET, MUSCLE WEAKNESS AND BONE PAIN.
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New law enhances mobility for disabled

A new law making it illegal to block curb cuts and ramps will greatly enhance the mobility and independence of people with disabilities, announced the legislation's two primary supporters, Secretary of State Candice S. Miller and State Representative Laura Toy of Livonia.

Public Act 76 of 2000, which takes effect October 1, also authorizes law enforcement to cite vehicles blocking clearly identified access sites, lanes or aisles immediately adjacent to disability parking spaces on private and public property.

"Something as routine as running to the grocery store or post office shouldn't be a struggle, but for many people with disabilities it is because of the abuse of disability parking spaces," Secretary Miller said. "This law will help ensure that the parking spaces and access aisles people with disabilities depend on to move safely to and from their vehicles are there when they need them."

Representative Toy explained that many people are unaware of the mobility challenges people with disabilities face. "This legislation is a huge win-win not only for people with disabilities but their families as well," said Representative Toy. "My brother had cerebral palsy for 44 years, and my mother is also disabled. Because of these personal experiences, I know the frustrations disabled people face when ramps, access aisles, and curb cuts are blocked by inconsiderate drivers."

Vehicles found in violation of the law will be either ticketed or towed. Those that are towed will be removed to a place of safekeeping at the expense of the vehicle's owner.

Under current law, police may remove a vehicle from public or private property at the expense of the owner only if the vehicle is parked in a designated disability parking space.

Disability parking spaces tend to

be wider than regular parking spaces and many have an access aisle next to them to make room for the vehicle lifts and ramps that raise and lower motorized wheelchairs. Such access aisles are usually painted with yellow or blue stripes and are meant to alert able-bodied drivers to avoid parking there.

Drivers who ignore these pavement markings by parking in access aisles make it impossible for people using wheelchairs to get in or out of their vehicle. This problem also represents a significant safety threat. Blocking access aisles may also prevent individuals with disabilities from reaching life-saving medical equipment such as oxygen stored in their vehicles.

The Michigan Protection and Advocacy Service recorded more than 270 calls about disability parking issues in 1999. Many of these calls involved vehicles that parked in or blocked the access aisle of a disability parking space.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Thought for your week ahead: Personality has the power to open many doors, but character keeps them open!

Lots of wonderful things are happening at your center and all you have to do is come and join in!

Here's a list of things coming up this next week and the menu for the coming days and don't forget the Harvest Dinner on the 30th from 4 to 7 p.m.

Sept 27 - Exercises at 10 a.m.; Line Dancing at 11 a.m.; Stag Cards at 12:30 p.m., as well as Fun & Games; Movie Night "As Good As It Gets" with Jack Nicholson & Helen Hunt at 5:30 p.m.

Sept 28 - BP's taken from 11 a.m. to noon, every Thursday. Pinochle Club at 1 p.m. and Cardo at 5:30 p.m.

Sept 29 - Pantry Bingo at 1 p.m.

Oct 2 - Stag Cards at 12 p.m. Bridge Club at 1 p.m. and Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

Oct 3 - Euchre Club at 1 p.m. and Cardo at 5:30 p.m.

Oct 4 - Hearing Clinic by appointment/Commodities at the Eagles from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., Exercises at 10 a.m. Line Dancing at 11 a.m. Stag Cards at 12:30 p.m. Wendy's Bingo at 5:30 p.m.

Oct 5 - BP's taken 11 a.m. to noon, Pinochle Club at 1 p.m.

Oct 6 - Pantry Bingo at 1 p.m.

Some up-coming things you should be aware of and remember: Pinochle Club every Thursday at 1 p.m. Make up your own table or join one in progress.

Remember: Our Congregate Dining Program consists of two meals, Monday through Thursday and one on Friday. Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays except Friday, there is no evening meal. Please try to call for reservations at (517) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for, however, walk-ins are more than welcome.

MENU FOR SEPT/OCT 2000

Sept 27 - Pepper Steak/BBQ Chicken

Sept 28 - Baked Ham/Salisbury Steak

Sept 29 - BBQ Beef/no dinner

Sept 30 - Harvest Dinner Fund

Raisers Chicken and Ham and all the trimmings that we have harvested. 4 to 7 p.m. bring your appetite.

Sunday Brunch October 1 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. featuring waffles

Oct 2 - Turkey Sandwiches/Pork Roast

Oct 3 - Salisbury Steak/Cubed Beef with rice

Oct 4 - Baked Chicken/Brown Steak

Oct 5 - BBQ Beef Sandwiches/Pork Chops

Oct 6 - Spanish Rice with Ground Beef/no dinner

Thought to leave you with: None is so deaf, as he that will not hear.

(A parody on this is: You learn with your ears and not your mouth.)

The Senior Center will be sponsoring "Senior Hour" at the local libraries beginning October 3. Call (517) 348-7123 for details.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following 89 complaints were handled by the Crawford County Sheriff's Department during the week of September 11-17:

Two assault/intimidation/stalking; three burglary/home invasion; two larceny; one fraudulent activities; seven damage to property; four public peace/disorderly; two driving violations/DWLS etc.; seven health and safety (including one cruelty to animals); one conservation; four delinquent minors; one runaway; 11 traffic accidents; one traffic safety public appearances; one false alarm activation; three hazardous conditions; one accidental shooting; three civil matter disputes - family trouble; five suspicious situations; 24 general non-criminal; one assault and battery/simple assault; one burglary-forced entry-residence; one embezzlement (other); one property damage-business; one miscellaneous arrest; one driving on revoked/suspended/refused.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled from September 27 through October 3:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Road 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road).

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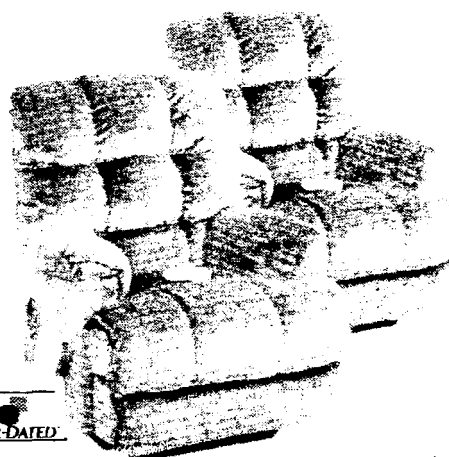


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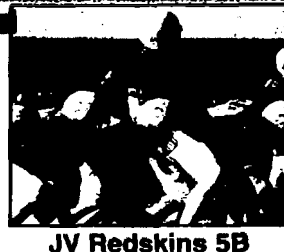
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Vikings beat Spartans

Varsity girls basketball team outscores Pinny 65-53

► Grayling defeats Pinconning, loses to Tawas Braves in week #4 of season

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The GHS varsity girls basketball team won its third straight home match last week, defeating the Pinconning Spartans 65-53 for a league win. The Vikings are now 2-2 in the North East Michigan Conference and 3-4 overall.

Against Pinconning, the Vikings led for almost the entire game, but survived a strong run by the Spartans in the second half to secure the win.

The Vikings scored the first four points of the game on jumpers by Lori Hinkle and Emily Fox. Pinny scored two buckets to tie it. A score by Kristy Hulbert on a pass from Jamie Dent and two free throws by Fox put GHS back up by four.

Starting at the 4:00 mark in the first period, the Vikings scored six unanswered points on a move to the basket by Dent, a shot inside by Hinkle on an assist by Gina Thompson, and a shot in the paint by Fox to lead 16-8.

Fox, Hinkle, and Thompson hit jumpers in the last few minutes of the period to help GHS take a 22-14 lead into the second quarter.

Pinconning scored the first bucket of the second period, then GHS scored five unanswered points on a put-back by Hinkle, a free throw by Michele Elsner, and two free throws by Fox.

The Spartans scored the next six

points to pull within five, 27-22. Hinkle hit a jumper at the 4:26 mark, then Pinny scored three points on a bucket and a free throw to move within four, 29-25.

After two scoreless minutes, the Vikings scored on a nice take to the basket by Hulbert. Pinny then pulled within two points of GHS with two baskets inside.

With 20 seconds left in the half, Fox hit a three-pointer to put Grayling up by five, 34-29.

Fox started the third quarter scoring with a jump shot. Pinconning answered, then Grayling scored four points on two baskets by Thompson. Pinny hit five unanswered points to pull within four, 40-36.

Hinkle hit two of two free throws at 2:36, then the Spartans scored the next two baskets to cut the Grayling lead to two, 42-40. Fox hit two jumpers in the last 20 seconds of the third quarter to put Grayling's lead back at six, 46-40.

Pinconning opened the fourth period with a two-point bucket to move within four. Hinkle hit a shot inside at the other end to put GHS back up by six. Pinny hit one of two free throws, then Grayling scored four points on two free throws by Hinkle and a lay-up by Danielle Niederer. The Vikings led by nine with 5:43 remaining.

A free throw and a two-point bucket by Pinny cut Grayling's lead to six. A move to the basket by Fox and a free throw by Hulbert put GHS back up by nine with just over four minutes left in the game.

Pinconning scored three more points to pull within six, 55-49.

Fox scored another bucket on an assist by Hinkle to make the GHS



Emily Fox moves past mid-court in last Thursday's match against the Pinconning Spartans. Fox led the Vikings with 23 points in the 65-53 victory.

lead eight. A shot inside by Hulbert set up by a pass from Hinkle put Grayling up by 10, 59-49, with 3:07 left to play.

Pinconning hit two of two free throws to move within eight, but time was on Grayling's side. The Spartans were forced to foul to stop the clock, and Grayling hit

five of nine free throws down the stretch to help maintain the lead.

With 27 seconds left, Hinkle converted a three-point play opportunity to give GHS a 65-53 lead.

After a Pinconning miss at the other end, the Vikings ran out the clock to seal the 12-point win.

"I am very proud of the way we played at the end of the game. The girls showed a lot of composure and patience," said Coach Tom Mills. "We haven't really worked on the delay game this year, but the girls executed it very well."

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See "VARSITY GIRLS..."

JV girls win big in two matches

► Junior varsity team beats Tawas and Pinconning by large margins

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Grayling High School's JV girls basketball team won its fifth and sixth games of the year last Thursday, defeating Pinconning at home on Thursday and winning a match at Tawas on Tuesday. The Vikings are 6-1 so far this season.

"The team is really starting to work together well," said Coach Kristi Euler.

GHS outscored the Spartans of Pinconning 51-27 in Grayling last Thursday. The Vikings took an early lead and built on it the rest of the match.

GHS scored the first five points of the ballgame with two free throws by Britni Baker and a three-pointer by Kim Mitchell. Danielle Beckwith also hit a triple in the first quarter to add to Grayling's scoring effort. A shot inside by Mitchell on an assist by Beckwith, a jumper by Tracy Parkinson, and a lay-up by Beckwith helped GHS take a 14-8 lead into the second quarter.

A free throw by Baker and another triple by Beckwith in the first minute of the second period put GHS up by 10, 18-8.

The Vikings held Pinconning to five points in the second quarter.

A basket by Beckwith at the 4:40 mark put Grayling up 12. The Spartans scored their first points of

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See "JV GIRLS..."

Kirtland Firebirds fill 2000 roster

► Kirtland College basketball teams to host 'Midnight Madness' games

Kirtland Community College Athletic Director and Men's Basketball Coach Glen Donahue welcomed a pair of recruits from far away places this past week. Alvidas Gedminas, a 6'11" center from Plunge, Lithuania, and Dmitry Popov, a 6'7" forward from Tashkent, Uzbekistan, have both enrolled at the Roscommon campus.

"Both are fine athletes and have come to us after some strong recommendations," said Coach Donahue.

Gedminas should be a significant player on the inside for the Kirtland Firebirds. He has a strong inside presence, good post moves, and is a strong defensive player. He played on his club team back in Lithuania and a major college coach saw him play and recommended him to Kirtland's Donahue.

"We're really pleased to have

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See "KIRTLAND..."

Golfers take 2nd at tourney

Varsity team finishes 2nd of 13 at Gaylord Invitational

► GHS golfers post 'best invitational finish in years' at Michaywe Pines

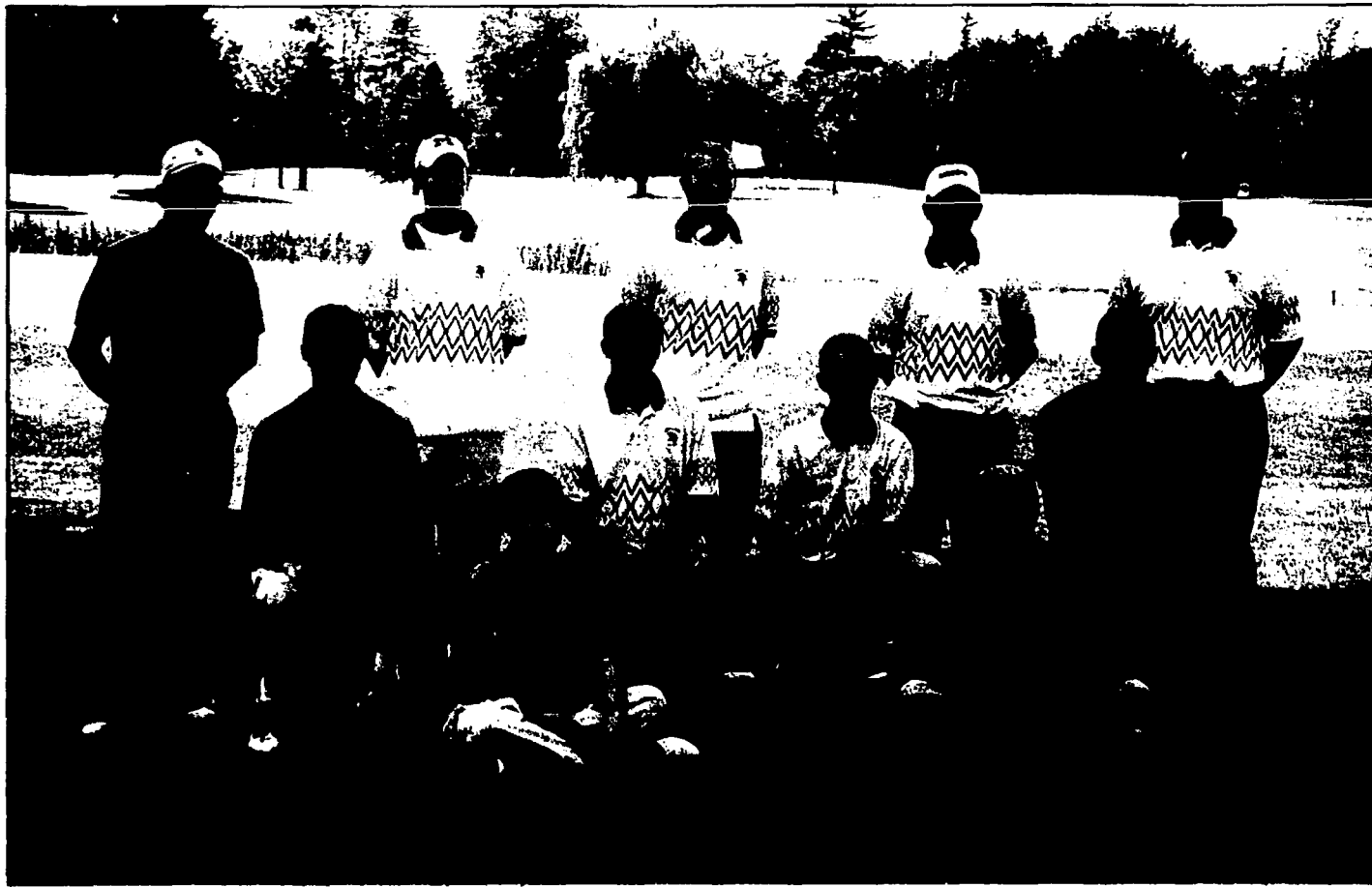
The GHS golf team took second place out of 13 competing teams at the Gaylord Invitational last week, finishing with a final tally of 339 strokes, 15 behind the tournament champions.

"A great performance by the guys," said Coach Herb Olson. "We finished 13 strokes better than the practice round held the day before. Second place is our best invitational finish in a number of years. We were 14 strokes better than league-leading Tawas."

At Gaylord's Michaywe "Pines," Traverse City St. Francis took top honors with a 324. St. Francis is rated in the top ten in the state. GHS finished ahead of the other 11 teams.

The Vikings were led by Chet Wheeler, who shot an 82. Bryan Greer and Bob Collin also played good rounds, each shooting an 84. Kyle Roman finished with an 89, and Justin Manier scored a 90.

The golf team will host Kalkaska and Cheboygan on Thursday, September 28.



Grayling High School's boys golf team: (front row, left to right) Justin Deville, Jensen Dreasky; (middle row, left to right) Joe Lange, Chet Wheeler, Bryan Greer, Justin Manier; (back row, left to right) Assistant Coach Ken Smith, Bob Collin, Marcus Marelich, Kyle Roman, Coach Herb Olson.

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Soccer team loses in overtime

► Vikings fall to Tawas Braves 1-0 in OT in a match-up of NEMC unbeaten

After winning four straight conference games, the GHS soccer team lost 1-0 in overtime to the Tawas Braves last Wednesday in Grayling, falling to 4-1 in the North East Michigan Conference standings.

Both teams had 4-0 league records going into the match, and both have featured high-flying offenses this year. Grayling has averaged five goals per game (and only one against).

Grayling had a few good offensive opportunities in the first half, but were unable to put anything in net. GHS outshot Tawas 6-4 in the first half. Kyle Langseth, Justin Fenn, and Tony Thomas had decent shots on goal but were stopped by the Tawas keeper.

In the second half, Tawas surged when GHS had trouble clearing goal kicks, but failed to score.

The game went into overtime, with Tawas playing one athlete short due to a red card. Tawas won the match 11 minutes into the overtime period with a well-placed shot from the left side.

"The Grayling team played their best game of the year," said Coach Karen Langseth. "The defense shut down the Tawas offense for 90 minutes. The offense had great combinations and tight ball control."

"Tony Thomas, Derek Gregorich, Josh Petrie, James Kenney, and Chris Bastion played outstanding defense, stopping a very determined, physical Tawas attack," said



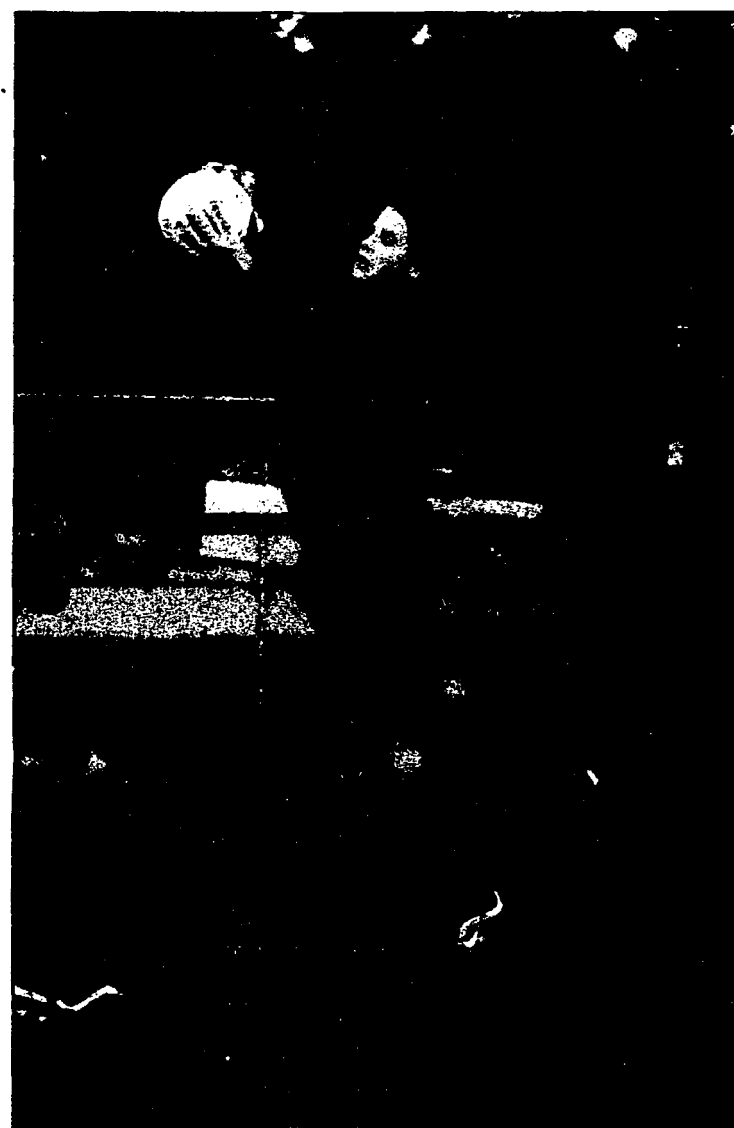
Art Graube (left) and Matt Lorenson play defense against Oscoda on Monday night.

Coach Langseth.

Grayling's goalkeeper, Dan Mead, stopped nine shots in the first 90 minutes of play.

"We face Oscoda on Monday night. They scared Tawas 4-3 earlier in the season, so we know it will be a tough game," said Coach Langseth. "We get a rematch with Tawas at the end of the regular season for another shot at the conference lead."

The Vikings play Oscoda and Pinconning this week. Next week, the team will play at West Branch Ogemaw Heights and Standish Sterling Central.



Photos by Caleb Casey
(Left) Justin Fenn hops an Oscoda slide tackle. (Above) Goalkeeper Dan Mead makes a save.


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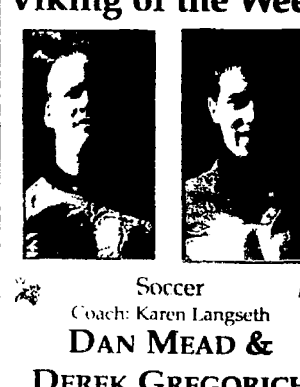
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Viking of the Week



Boys Golf
Coach: Herb Olson
BOB COLLIN

Bob Collin, a junior, took 14 strokes off his practice round at the Gaylord Invitational to help the Vikings reach their best invitational result in years.

DuBois
Viking of the Week



Soccer
Coach: Karen Langseth
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Tennis team hosts Harbor Springs



(Left) Stacey Kuhn serves for the Vikings. Against Harbor Springs last week, Kuhn, at #1 singles, fell 4-6, 5-7. GHS singles players Kim Ruley, Jamie Zelek, and Jenna Bugyi also lost in two sets, as did the doubles team of Megan Madill and Penny Rosin. The team will host Petoskey on Thursday, September 28, at 4 p.m. (Above) Jamie Zelek returns a ball during singles play.

JV girls team wins big in two matches

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the period on a two point bucket, then Grayling went on a 7-0 run. The streak included put-backs by Jessica Green and Baker, a free throw by Green, and a jump shot by Ashley Bancroft.

Pinconning hit a three-pointer with 10 seconds left in the half. At the other end, Beckwith scored a triple at the halftime buzzer to give GHS a 30-13 lead after two quarters of play.

Pinconning cut six points off the Grayling lead to open the second half, scoring a free throw, a two-point shot, and a three-pointer in the first two minutes of the half. Mitchell answered the triple for Grayling to put GHS back up by 14, 33-19.

Mitchell hit two of two free throws and a lay-up in the quarter, and Parkinson scored on a move to the basket.

After a low-scoring third period, the Vikings led by 18, 39-21.

The Viking defense held Pinconning to six points in the final quarter, while the offense scored 12, to help secure a 51-27 win.

The Vikings scored fourth quarter points on a triple and a drive by Beckwith, a hard-earned lay-up by Parkinson, and a three-point play and a put-back by Kate Nickert.

Overall, Beckwith led the team in scoring with 18 points. Mitchell added 12 points to the offensive effort. Baker was the leading



Danielle Beckwith challenges a Pinconning shot in last Thursday's game.

rebounder with nine. Green and Nickert each brought down seven rebounds.

Grayling won by a large margin last Tuesday as well, defeating the Tawas Braves at Tawas by a final score of 53-17.

"This was the best game the girls have played all season," said Coach Euler. "We worked the ball around

and got it inside."

Mitchell was the scoring leader for GHS with 14 points in an evenly distributed offensive attack for Grayling. Leading rebounder was Baker with 11. Green pulled down seven rebounds, and Parkinson fin-

ished the game with six assists.

The JV team will host Bay City John Glenn on Thursday, September 28, at 6:15 p.m. The team plays at Standish and Roscommon next week, team plays at Standish and Roscommon next week.

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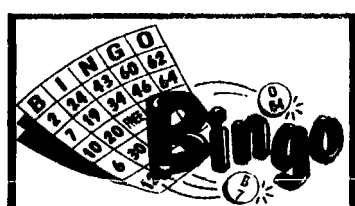
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Kirtland Firebirds fill 2000 roster

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him on campus, he is a fine young man and should fit in well with the rest of the squad," said Donahue.

"Popov has many skills and will help the Firebirds in several ways. He is a strong defensive player, can hold his own on the inside, and has good range on the shooting end," said Assistant Coach Barry Davis.

"Dima" has played on the Uzbekistan Olympic team, and he should be one of the leaders on this year's Kirtland team.

With the opening of the fall semester at KCC, Donahue announced that a pair of Texas natives, a guard from St. Louis, and a product of Detroit PSL have joined the Firebirds men's basketball team. Five others also are enrolled and are expected to add depth to the Firebirds roster.

Forward/center Dan Shelton and point guard Rajael Tyler both played at Heritage Christian in Cleveland, Texas. Heritage Christian played in the State 4A Championship game last season, and "these two played a key role in the squad's success," said Donahue.

Shelton, who is 6'7", should battle for the center and power forward positions while Tyler, a 5'11" point guard, should be in the hunt for that spot.

Desmond Jelks, a 6'2" transfer from Springfield Junior College, had an outstanding high school career at Jesuit Catholic High School in St. Louis. Another transfer, LaShawn Moody, comes from C.S. Mott Community College in Flint after playing at Detroit Kettering High School. Moody, at 6'4", should battle for one of the forward spots.

"Jelks and Moody give us some experience," said Donahue.

Brad Munson, a 6'2" guard from SKEELS (West Branch), 6'0" Rob Dent of Grayling, and Clifford Washington, a 5'7" guard from Anchorage, Alaska give the Firebirds real depth at the guard spots. Kyle Kitzmiller, a strong 6'2" player from Buckley and Reuben Edwards, a 6'3" swingman from Detroit Finney, also were present for the opening of school.

Munson was an outstanding player for Coach Dave Yost's SKEELS squad; Dent was among the leading scorers for the KCC club team last season; and Washington should help anchor the Firebirds defensive efforts with his quickness. Edwards, a talented player, should provide lots of scoring. Kitzmiller can score and defend and should develop as the season rolls on.

A pair of former Mio players, Dan Kemp and Bryan Gipson, who come from a strong high school program under John Byelich, have also announced their intention to play at Kirtland. Both should help the Firebirds at the guard position.

Ryan Green is the second player to come to KCC from St. Ignace, where he played for Coach Doug Ingalls. Green is a strong rebounder and competitor.

The Firebirds start practice on Sunday, October 1, with the "Midnight Madness" Intra-Squad Games. The Firebirds women's team, coached by Jim Parker, will warm up at 12:01 a.m. and play their game at 12:15 a.m. The men will follow at approximately 1:45 a.m. The public is invited to attend the practice and get its first look at both teams. The intra-squad games




Kirtland Community College Athletic Director and Men's Basketball Coach Glen Donahue is flanked by new KCC Firebird recruits Dmitry Popov (left), a 6'7" forward from Tashkent, Uzbekistan, and Alvidas Gedminas (right), a 6'11" center from Plunge, Lithuania.

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Varsity girls team defeats Spartans

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"I thought we got big ball games out of Lori Hinkle and Emily Fox, both hit big baskets at key times," said Coach Mills. "We got some really good post play from Gina Thompson in the second half. I thought she denied the post real well."

Fox was the leading scorer for

Grayling with 23 points. Hinkle added 19 points and led the team in rebounding with 11 to score a double double. Hulbert scored 12 points and led the team in assists with nine; and Thompson hit for seven points.

The Vikings lost to the Tawas Braves at Tawas last Tuesday by a final score of 54-47.


Grayling had a slight edge at half-time, but the Braves outscored GHS 23-10 in the third quarter to take a double-digit lead into the fourth quarter. The Vikings fought from behind, but couldn't get back on top.

Turnovers hurt the Vikings. Grayling turned the ball over 35 times over the course of the match. "That's one of the things we're aware of and working on," said Coach Mills. "It's something from early in the season we have to eliminate in order to be competitive."

Hinkle was the leading GHS scorer with 14 points. Hulbert scored 13 points. Dent added eight, Carrie Cadeau scored six, and Fox finished with four points. Hinkle led the team in rebounding with eight boards.

The team will host Bay City John Glenn on Thursday, September 28.

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Varsity Girls Basketball
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LORI HINKLE
Hinkle scored a double-double against the Pinconning Spartans with 19 points and 11 rebounds, and scored 14 points against Tawas. She played consistently in both matches last week.

JV Redskins team moves to 3-1

► Grayling 7th grade Redskins win a hard-fought game over Colts 13-6

The Grayling Redskins JV team brought home a victory on Saturday, September 23, defeating the Colts of Oscoda 13-6 at Pinconning.

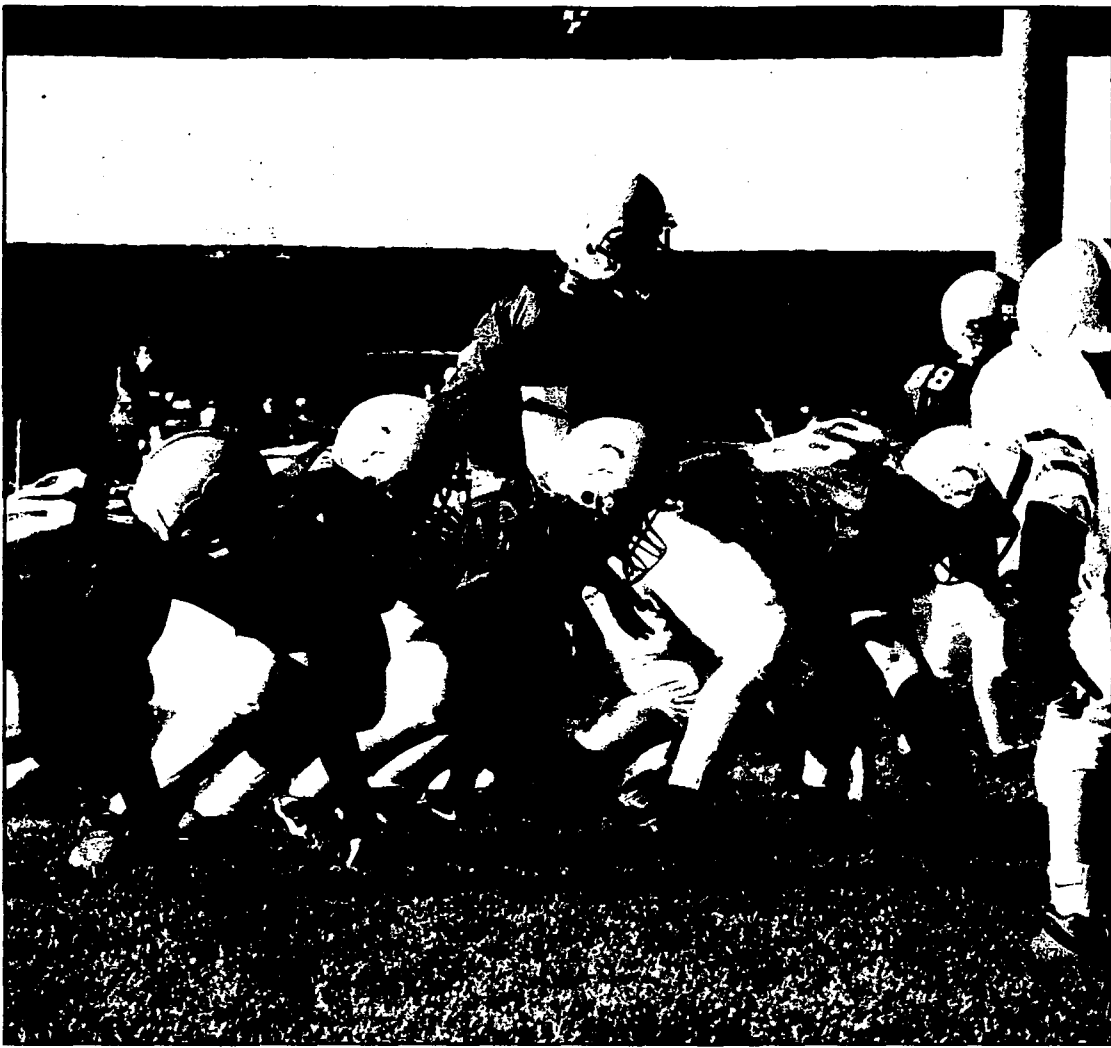
Turnovers played a big part in the outcome of this hard-hitting game. Grayling's opening drive was foiled by a fumble recovery by Oscoda. The Colts drove the ball to the Redskin 1-yard line, where Joel Wilson intercepted an Oscoda pass to prevent a score.

Both teams relinquished the ball again before the Redskins scored on a 54-yard pass from Zac Baker to Reagan Schmidt. The Redskins took possession on the kick-off with Andrew Woolsey covering the ball on the Colt 46-yard line. Oscoda's defense dug in and forced the Redskins to turn the ball over on downs.

The Redskins defense drove the Colts back deep into their own territory. Mitch Freeman forced a fumble and Billy Stewart recovered on the Oscoda 28-yard line. The Colts held Grayling, and the Redskins were unable to score again before the half ended.

The second half was a seesaw battle, as both teams tried to move the ball up and down the field. At the end of the third quarter, Schmidt ran the ball 53 yards for the second Redskin TD. The game raged on until the last seconds, when the Colts finally punched in for a score.

"The Colts tested every player I sent on the field," said Coach Joe Ferrigan. "This was a good game. Both teams did a great job."



The JV Redskins line up for a play on offense.

Overall, Schmidt ran for 118 yards with Neil Cook driving for 30 hard-fought yards.

Brad Bindschattel, Wilson, J.C. Schneider, Robert Starks, A.J. Powers and Brad Galloway all carried the ball as well, and contributed on defense in the victory.

Defensively, Woolsey was the powerhouse with 16 tackles to his

credit. Samantha Wilkerson, Josh Mastej, Mitchell Salyers, Cody York, Matt Larson, Michael Barry, Joe Ferrigan, David Gilliland, Zeke Hayes, Adam Peterson, Ryan Feldhauser, and Robert Feutz all added to the tackling statistics.

The win was a team effort, as 24 players of the 34 names on the roster were mentioned in the game

stats.

The JV Redskins have posted a 3-1 record so far this season.

The team will host Cheboygan on Saturday, September 30, at 4 p.m. The match will be held at Redskin Field, located at the Crawford County Fairgrounds.

The team plays Gaylord at Pinconning on October 7.

7th grade 'green' team defeats Blazers

► GMS Vikings win home opener after two close losses on the road

After losses in two close games on the road, Grayling Middle School's 7th grade girls basketball "green" team defeated the Kalkaska Blazers 21-14 last Wednesday at home to start the season at 1-2.

Against Kalkaska, "the girls played great defense," said Coach Craig Hofman.

"We led 14-4 at halftime," said Hofman. "We got nervous when Kalkaska cut it to 19-14 with three minutes left. The girls fought through the problems of the first few games. We started missing lay-ups and free throws, but they continued

a very aggressive defensive style and shut out Kalkaska in the last three minutes."

"Jamie Luckstead and Jessie Morley came off the bench and did a great job. Unfortunately, Randi Richardson was hurt and couldn't play," said Coach Hofman.

Michele McGuire was the leading GMS scorer against the Blazers with eight points. Trisha Peterson and Amanda Lutz each added four points; Katie Baynham scored three points; and Chelsea Wolcott finished with two points.

The team opened the 2000 season with a one-point loss to West Branch Surline, 17-16.

"The girls worked really hard and definitely outplayed West Branch but we struggled from the free throw line and missed several break-away lay-ups," said Coach Hofman. "I

was impressed at the defensive skills and offensive movement of the team, especially for the first game."

In the team's second game of the season, the Vikings fell to Roscommon in another close match, 23-21.

"The answer to this game was simple. We again outplayed and out-hustled our opponent on both ends but we missed several lay-ups. We also missed 27 free throws," said Coach Hofman.

"Amanda Lutz, Chelsea Wolcott, and Tequila Reynolds did a great job of rebounding against a bigger team. Jessie Morley really showed a lot of defensive hustle," said Hofman. "I liked the fact that the team did not give up. Roscommon went up by five points with 1:30 left and the girls kept playing hard. Michele

McGuire hit a three-pointer and we had an opportunity to tie, but couldn't score the last basket."

Against Roscommon, McGuire led with seven points; Baynham scored five points; Peterson added four points; Wolcott and Lutz each had two points; and Reynolds scored one point.

The team will host Roscommon on Monday, October 2. On October 4, the Vikings will host Kalkaska.

Grayling 8th graders start 2-1

► GMS Vikings defeat West Branch, Kalkaska but fall to Roscommon Bucks

The GMS 8th grade girls basketball team is off to a 2-1 start with wins over West Branch and Kalkaska.

The team opened with a home match against West Branch, which the Vikings won 39-13.

Leading scorer for Grayling was Jodi Riddle with 21 points. Hannah Hall scored 12, Jenny VanNuck finished with four, and Jesse Ferrell

added two points on offense.

"Our girls came out strong in our home opener," said Coach Nicole Parker Scott. "We have a lot of potential. The defensive effort held them to 13 points."

The team lost its second game of the year 37-26 to Roscommon in Grayling. Riddle was the GMS scoring leader with 14 points. Hall, VanNuck, and Ferrell each scored four points.

"Our defense was lacking and passing hurt us," said Coach Parker. "but the girls hustled and showed determination."

Last week, the Vikings moved to 2-1 with a 21-10 win over the

Kalkaska Blazers at Kalkaska.

"Our defense stepped up in a very physical game," said Coach Parker. "The offense worked as a cohesive unit. The girls played a very tough game."

The team will play at Roscommon on Monday, October 2.

7th grade 'white' team defeats Kalkaska 20-16

► Vikings open with losses on the road, win at home

Grayling Middle School's 7th grade girls basketball "white" team won its first match of the season last week against the Blazers of Kalkaska, after losing two matches on the road to open the 2000 season.

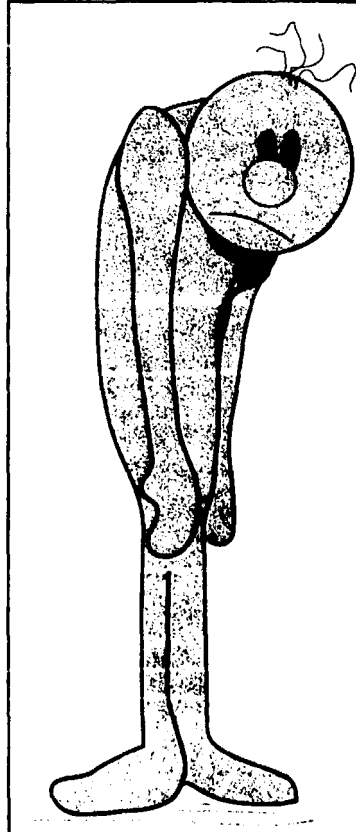
The Vikings defeated Kalkaska 20-16 at home last Wednesday to move to 1-2 on the season.

The leading scorer for GMS was Andrea Southard with eight points. Jenna Frankowski scored six points. Stacie Dent added four, and Samantha Wakely hit for two points.

The team opened its season with a 16-6 loss at West Branch and a 15-11 loss at Roscommon.

"We have a young team, an inexperienced team," said Coach Renea Bouchard. "The girls have not played a whole lot of basketball, but they are getting better each game."

The team will host Roscommon on Monday, October 2.



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BOWLING LEAGUE

American Men's
Helsel Forest Products . . . 14 - 7
McLeans ACE . . . 14 - 7
Sawmill Tavern . . . 11 - 10
CSI Ind. Systems . . . 10 - 11
Moore's Automotive . . . 9 - 12
Upper Lakes Tire . . . 9 - 12
Forrest Brothers . . . 9 - 12
Fenton's Auto Service . . . 8 - 13
High Game: S. Peterson, 254; J. Helsel, 232; J. Dubois, Jr., 224.
High Series: S. Peterson, 593; J. Helsel, 591; D. Canfield, J. DuBois, Jr. and D. Henning, 582.

Friday Mixed Doubles
C.U.P.S. . . . 8 - 4
Gray Rock Cafe' . . . 8 - 4
Double Trouble . . . 6 - 6
CharlesCountryCorner . . . 6 - 6
Aunt Bettys . . . 6 - 6
Fick & Sons . . . 5 - 7
LAR-BEV KFC . . . 4 - 8
Moshier Auto Repair . . . 5 - 7
High Game Men: D. Yanniello, 232; J.C. King, 192; B. Trudeau, & D. Yanniello, 190. High Series Men: D. Yanniello, 600; J. Campbell, 525; B. Nielson, 515.
High Game Women: M. Moshier,

184; A. Moshier, 175; K. Moshier, 169. High Series Women: D. Medina, 465; A. Moshier, 450; K. Moshier, 448.

National First
ForestBrothers . . . 15 - 6
Hart Pontiac-GMC . . . 12 - 9
Northern White Tail Ranch . . . 12 - 9
Swamp II . . . 11 - 10
Hellebuyck Masonry . . . 11 - 10
Faustman's Insurance . . . 9 - 12
Legion Lanes . . . 9 - 12
Miller's Production . . . 5 - 16
High Game: T. Sowinski, 298; T. Devins, 233; D. Henning, 233.
High Series: P. Faustman, 605; D. Henning, 590; M. Smith, 586; C. Brill, 586.

Northwood
North Michigan Financial . . . 11 - 1
Rose's . . . 7 - 5
Curves for Women . . . 7 - 5
R & M Masonry . . . 6 - 6
R. Calkins & Sons . . . 5 - 7
Plaza Bar . . . 5 - 7
Darrell's Roofing . . . 4 - 8
Pro Tree . . . 3 - 9
High Game: M. Miller, 201; J. Cousins, 196; B. Lukima, 191. High Series: M. Miller, 511; J. Cousins,

502; S. Romain, 496.
Pioneer
Lucky Strikers . . . 7 - 1
Ginger's . . . 5 - 3
Lady Slipper . . . 4 - 4
Chemical Bank . . . 4 - 4
Avalanche . . . 4 - 4
Aunt Betty's . . . 4 - 4
Custom Interior . . . 3 - 5
Millikins . . . 1 - 7
High Game: N. Glasslee, 241; N. Glasslee, 194; J. Cousins, 198.
High Series: N. Glasslee, 585; J. Cousins, 556; K. Moshier, 516.

Senior
Sylvester Sports . . . 9 - 3
Tees 'N' Such 'R' Us . . . 8.5 - 3.5
Flowers By Josie . . . 7 - 5
Buccillis Pizza . . . 7 - 5
Grayling Pharmacy . . . 5 - 7
Halls Snow Removal . . . 4.5 - 7.5
Cornell Insurance . . . 4 - 8
Baynham Wood Products . . . 3 - 9
High Game Men: K. Harris, 224; K. Louchart, 212; D. Germain, 205.
High Series Men: K. Harris, 574; D. Germain, 560; K. Louchart, 542.
High Game Women: V. Westover, 202; D. Mead, 182; A. Roman, 178.

High Series Women: V. Westover, 530; P. Harris, 469; D. Mead, 445.

Sunday Night Mixed
R & M Masonry . . . 19 - 2
Custom Interior . . . 14 - 7
Helsel Bro . . . 12 - 9
Billy's . . . 12 - 9
Wakeley's Auto Parts . . . 11 - 10
Waste Management . . . 8 - 13
Legion Lanes . . . 6 - 15
M.I.A.'s . . . 2 - 19
High Game Men: J. Helsel, 222; P. Baker, 214; R. Adkinson, 206. High Series Men: R. Adkinson, 567; P. Bakert, 563; S. Miller, 530. High Game Women: L. Dannenberg, 236; E. Helsel, 218; J. Hinds, 202. High Series Women: E. Helsel, 585; J. Hinds, 571; L. Dannenberg, 561.

Triangle
Moshier Refrigeration . . . 9.5 - 2.5
Gray Rock Cafe' . . . 9.5 - 2.5
A-H Rental . . . 7.5 - 4.5
Moshier Auto . . . 7 - 5
Barber Construction . . . 2.5 - 9.5
BYE . . . 0 - 0
High Game: D. Canfield, 207; K. Louchart, 189; L. Davis, 180.
High Series: K. Louchart, 526; D. Canfield, 518; L. Davis, 509.

POOL LEAGUE

Women's Standings
Spikes . . . 11
Sawmill II . . . 8
Swamp II . . . 7
Holiday Inn . . . 7

Frederic Inn . . . 5
Plaza . . . 5
Legion . . . 4
Sawmill I . . . 1
5 Ball Run: D. VanDeCastele, D.

Wakely, J. Hamilton & D. Kotrash
6 Ball Run: M. Richardson, D. Kotrash & J. Hamilton
7 Ball Run: D. Kotrash & Vicky Potter

8 Ball on Break: T. Doe of Legion & B. Annis of Plaza
Won all games played: D. Kotrash & J. Hamilton of Spikes

LEGAL ACTION

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dallas D. Wallace and Gloria G. Wallace, his wife, to Capstone Mortgage Corporation, mortgagee, dated November 16, 1998 and recorded December 20, 1998 in Liber 469, Page 542, Crawford County Records said mortgage is now held by PCFS Financial Services by assignment dated November 20, 1998 and recorded on June 10, 1999 in Liber 483, Page 395, Crawford County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Thirteen and 04/100 Dollars

(\$64,913.04) including interest at the rate of 11.15% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on October 12, 2000.

The premises are located in the Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot #4: A part of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 35, Town 25 North, Range 1 West described as: Commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 35; thence South 87 degrees 21 minutes 41 seconds East along the South line of said Section 35, 985.23 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 87 degrees 21 minutes 41 seconds East along said South Section line 328.41 feet to the North/South 1/8 line of said

Southeast quarter of Section 35; thence North 0 degrees 13 minutes 30 seconds West along said North/South 1/8 line 338.72 feet; thence North 87 degrees 21 minutes 58 seconds West 328.40 feet; thence South 0 degrees 13 minutes 23 seconds East 338.72 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale.

Dated: August 31, 2000
ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for PCFS Financial Services,
As Assignee
2501 Rochester Court
Troy, MI 48063
(248) 457-1000
File No. 210.0041

-31-7-14-21-28

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tracy A. Chouinard a/k/a Tracy A. Renaud, a married woman and Benedict E. Chouinard her husband (original mortgagors) to Delta Funding Corporation, Mortgagee dated April 30, 1999, and recorded on May 28, 1999 in Liber 482, in Page 379-390, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the Bank One National Association, f/k/a First National Bank of Chicago, as Trustee under the Trust for the registered holders of Delta Funding Home Equity Loan Asset-Backed

Certificates, Series 1999-2 c/o Delta Funding Corporation, as Servicing Agent, Assignee by an assignment dated May 1, 2000 which was recorded on August 8, 2000, in Liber 514 on Page 169, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-SIX THOUSAND SEVENTY-FIVE AND 67/100 dollars (\$66,075.67), including interest at 12.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on October 25, 2000.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Being a part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 11, thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes East along the North Section line of said Section 11, to the center line of Old State Highway U.S. 27 for point of beginning, thence continuing North 89 degrees 55 minutes 00 seconds East 260.74 feet, thence South 07 degrees 02 minutes 00 seconds East 178.90 feet, thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 00 seconds West 260.74 feet to the center line of Old State Highway U.S. 27, thence North 07 degrees 02 minutes 00 seconds West along the center line of said highway 178.90 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 14, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File #200016010
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-14-21-28-5-12

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Paul W. Schroeder and Colleen L. Schroeder husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee dated July 28, 1998, and recorded on September 3, 1998 in Liber 462, on Page 93, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWELVE AND 92/100 dollars (\$37,712.92), including interest at 10.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on October 25, 2000.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Being a part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, thence South 89 degrees 59 minutes East 517 feet, thence North 1 Degree 33 minutes East, 656 feet to the Point of Beginning, thence continuing North 1 degree, 33 minutes 28.13 feet to the Southeastly bank of the AuSable River, thence South 64 degrees 28 minutes West along river, 184.85 feet; thence South 24 degrees 03 minutes West along river, 220.3 feet; thence South 8 degrees 50 minutes East along river, 87.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees, 59 minutes East, 133.2 feet, thence North 1 degree, 33 minutes East, 149.0 feet thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes East, 100.0 feet to the

Point of Beginning. The above description of land is the combination of Parcels A and B of Survey recorded in Liber 134, page 79 and of Parcel A of Survey recorded in Liber 153, page 458, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 14, 2000
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FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Leonard D. Hall and Renee Hall. Husband and wife, to Mortgage America, Inc., mortgage dated June 2, 1997 and recorded June 18, 1997 in Liber 431, Page 625, Crawford County Records said mortgage is now held by The Chase Manhattan Bank, as Indenture Trustee of IMC Home Equity Loan Owner Trust 1997-6 under the Sale and Servicing Agreement Dated as of October 1, 1997 by assignment dated June 2, 2000 and recorded on August 15, 2000 in Liber 515, Page 126, Crawford County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Thirty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Nine and 14/100 Dollars (\$38,429.14) including interest at the rate of 12.9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on October 18, 2000.

The premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 1-A, Greentree Acres. According to the Recorded Plat thereof, as Recorded in Liber 03 of Plats, Page 06, Crawford County Records, being further described as Lot 1 except the North 260.0 feet thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale.

Date September 7, 2000

Orland Associates, PC
Attorneys for The Chase Manhattan Bank, as Indenture Trustee of IMC Home Equity Loan Owner Trust 1997-6 under the Sale and Servicing Agreement Dated as of October 1, 1997.

As Assignee
2501 Rochester Court
Troy, MI 48063
(248) 457-1000

File No. 193.0427

-7-14-21-28-6

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND ZONING FREDERIC TOWNSHIP COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

In compliance with Frederic Township Zoning Ordinance 98-2 this notice is hereby publicized to inform you that a request for a variance has been filed with this office. A public meeting on this matter will be held by the Frederic Township Zoning Board of Appeals on September 29, 2000 at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be located at the Frederic Township Hall, 7564 Co. Rd. 612 Frederic, MI 49733.

Case #ZBA2000-3 Petitioner:
Owner James & Rose Palmer
261 Wendy Lane Grayling, MI 49738

A request for construction within 200' feet of the AuSable River. The project will involve converting an Porch in to a one-story family room.

Case#ZBA Petitioner:
Owner Ronald Chapple
2190 Perch Lake Dr. Gaylord, MI 49735

A request to place a mobile home in a district not currently zoned for mobile homes. Project location is off the North side of Cameron Bridge Rd. T.28.R4W.Sec.21.Lot5D

Michael Girard
Zoning Administrator

GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

Notice of last day of registration for the electors of:

Beaver Creek Township
Frederic Township
Grayling Township
Lovells Township
Maple Forest Township
South Branch Township
City of Grayling

All electors are hereby given notice that **THE GENERAL ELECTION** will be held in the above Townships in the County of Crawford, State of Michigan on Tuesday, November 07, 2000.

Electors who wish to vote in the General Election must be registered to vote **no later than Tuesday, October 10, 2000**. To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office, the County Clerk's office or the Township or City Clerk's office.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I WILL BE AT MY OFFICE:

During regular business hours 8:30 - 4:30 Monday through Friday

October 10, 2000 - Last Day for Electors to Register with the County Clerk at 4:00 p.m.

Electors who wish to register with the Township or City Clerks are advised to call ahead for office hours.

Sharon K. Hartman, Beaver Creek Township Clerk - 275-8878
Nancy Bindschatel, Frederic Township Clerk - 348-8778
Monica S. Ashton, Grayling Township Clerk - 348-4361
Cheryl Hopp, Lovells Township Clerk - 348-9215
Susan Keene, Maple Forest Township Clerk - 348-9801
Laura Smith, South Branch Township Clerk - 275-8232
Kay Ellen King, Grayling City Clerk - 348-2131

The Polls of said election will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 p.m. on November 07, 2000.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk

-28-5

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LEGAL ACTION

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Darwin A. Wilder and Dena M. Wilder, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Citizens Bank 1/4 Grayling State Bank, a Michigan Corporation. Mortgage dated June 18, 1993, and recorded on June 24, 1993 in Liber 361, on Page 356. Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY-NINE AND 66/100 dollars (\$32,649.66), including interest at 7.500% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 07/01 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on October 25, 2000.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lot 3, Block 10, Roffe's Addition of the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 14, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File #200014446
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

To the Owner or Owners of any and all interests in, or Liens upon the Lands here described:

Take Notice, that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds, issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof, at any time within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the Treasurer of the County in which the lands lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with 50% additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service plus cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a Summons upon commencement of an Action, and without other additional cost or charges. If payment of aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute Proceedings for the possession of the land.

Lands and premises situated in the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan.

DESCRIPTION OF LANDS

Lot 389, Northern Heights #3, Warblers

Hideaway Association.
Property tax code # 20-010-14-402-00-389-00.

Harrell, Joey A. & Camille A. Last known address 39631 Lake Shore Dr., Harrison Twp. Mich. 48045

Amount necessary to redeem is 78.72 plus fees of Sheriff etc. as in the faxed letter.

Persons shown above are last grantee in the regular chain title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the Register of Deeds office of said County, or holders of unrecorded Quit Claim Deeds to the land described above.

James A. McCleary, Tax Deed Holder
4985 Hyde Park
Troy, Michigan 48098

-21-28-5-12

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Billie J. Marrs and Hendrina Marrs, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Ameriquet Mortgage Company, Mortgage dated November 11, 1998, and recorded on December 1, 1998 in Liber 468, on Page 626. Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE AND 83/100 dollars (\$47,953.83), including interest at 9.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on November 1, 2000.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

The North 233 feet of the East 165 feet of the West 330 feet of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 21, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
248-593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File #200014321
Cougars

-21-28-5-12-19

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott M. Boyd, 29 West York, Pontiac, Michigan 48340.

Mark E. Bredow.
Mortgage dated April 21, 1999, and recorded on June 14, 1999 in Liber 483, on Page 497. Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR AND 43/100 dollars (\$2,454.43), including interest at 5.00% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on November 1, 2000.

Said premises are situated in Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

The East 1/2 of West 1/2 of Northeast 1/4 of Southeast 1/4 of Section 26, Town 27 North, Range 2 West. Excluding therefrom all mineral rights in subject premises. More commonly known as V/Land Parcel F.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 12, 2000
Mark E. Bredow
103 North Genesee
Pontiac, MI 48341
(810) 574-4400

-21-28-5-12-19

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No. 00-5188-CH

Richard R. Tarr and Corrina G. Tarr, husband and wife, Plaintiffs vs. Estate of John Hallenbaugh, Defendant.

Monte J. Burmeister P48732
Law Office of Monte J. Burmeister, PLLC
Attorney for Plaintiffs
306 State Street, P.O. Box 585
Grayling, MI 49738
Ph: 517-348-7114

Default Judgment Quietening Title In Property

At a session of said Court held in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on this day of 2000.

Present: Honorable Alton T. Davis
Circuit Court Judge

Based Upon the filing of Plaintiff's Default entry and supporting Affidavit Concerning default Entry, and THIS COURT having entered its Default entry, NOW THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED THAT any interest held by Defendant, THE ESTATE OF JOHN HALLENBAUGH, and Heirs and Decedents of JOHN HALLENBAUGH, in the title to the property which is the subject of this suit and which is described as being located within the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, State of Michigan and which is legally described as follows:

The NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 12, T28N, R4W, TOGETHER WITH an easement for ingress and egress only across Parcel "P" which is a part of the Northeast

1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 12, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, benefiting the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 12, T28N, R4W, and beginning at an existing culvert crossing Bradford Creek on Parcel "P" and running Northwestly on an existing gravel pit road on a point of 56.0 feet S of the 1/8 corner of the two above described Parcels and being 33.0 feet in width.

is hereby vested in the Plaintiffs by virtue of this Order Quietening Title in favor of the Plaintiffs.

So Ordered

Honorable Alton T. Davis

Circuit Court Judge

-14-21-28

MORTGAGE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert M. Malady, a single man to Ameriquet Mortgage Company, Mortgage dated August 7, 1998 and recorded October 2, 1998 in Liber 464, Page 356, Crawford County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Thirty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Eight and 31/100 Dollars (\$37,368.31) including interest at the rate of 9.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on October 25, 2000.

The premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point 132 feet East of the Northwest corner of NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 3; thence South 330 feet, thence East 229.5 feet, thence North 330 feet; thence west 229.5 feet to the point of beginning, Section 3, T26N, R2W.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale.

Dated: September 21, 2000
ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Ameriquet Mortgage Company, As Mortgagee
2501 Rochester Court
Troy, MI 48063
(248) 457-1000
File No. 214.0031

-21-28-5-12-19

NOTICE SKYLINE ROAD RESIDENTS BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP

Per P.A.188 of 1954, there will be a public hearing held on Monday, October 9, 2000, at Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling, MI at 7:30 p.m., to receive written comments and objections regarding improving, repaving and creating a special assessment district on Skyline Road, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County. The Crawford County Road Commission letter describing what work will be done and estimates are on file with the Township Clerk for public examination.

Sharon K. Hartman,
Clerk

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Grayling Township Board will hold PUBLIC HEARINGS on October 11, 2000, beginning at 6:00 pm, in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the following:

Renewal of Special Assessment districts for Maintenance of:
6:00 pm -- Timber Trail
6:20 pm -- S. Horseshoe Trail
6:40 pm -- Turner Trail

Persons owning property on these roads or using same for access to their properties should attend this hearing. If you cannot attend the hearing, please forward your comments in writing to: Grayling Township P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. (517) 348-4361.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

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an Action, and without other additional cost or charges. If payment of aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute Proceedings for the possession of the land.

Lands and premises situated in the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan.

DESCRIPTION OF LANDS
Lot 436, Warblers #3, Warblers.

Hideaway Association.
Property tax code # 20-010-14-802-00-436-00.

Bastien, Allen B. & Dawn T. Last known address 3074 Suffour Windsor, Ont. CN N8R1PZ.

Amount necessary to redeem is 43.25 plus cost of Sheriff etc. as in the faxed letter.

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James A. McCleary, Tax Deed Holder
4985 Hyde Park
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-21-28-5-12

BIDS FOR SNOW PLOWING SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP

1-South Branch Township Hall and Fire Department - Pioneer Refuse site and Pioneer Cemetery Chapel.

2 - MacMaster's Refuse site.

Must have proof of liability insurance with worker's compensation insurance. Please mark envelope - "Snow Plow Bids" bids due by 12 pm noon October 6, 2000. To be opened at October 10, meeting. For information call township office 275-8232. All bids subject to township board approval.

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PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the Crawford County Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday, October 4, 2000 at 7:00 pm in The Circuit Court room of the County Building.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments on:

Case#SU20-00 A request to permit a Home Occupation

Petitioner: Russell N. Rulason Jr.
8686 S. Old 27
Grayling, MI 49738

The above case refers to the following described property:

ALL LAND ON THE WEST SIDE OF US 27 IN THE S/2 OF S/2 OF S/2 OF NE/4 OF SW/4 SEC 18 T25N R3W 3.8 ACRES

Property Code: 20-050-018-009-060-00
Zoning: LDR

All documents are available at the Crawford County Building & Zoning Department. Comments should be sent to: Building & Zoning Department, 200 W. Michigan Avenue - Annex Building, Grayling, MI 49738.

Joseph Duran - Director

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

September 25-2000
Grayling Housing Commission
308 Lawndale • Grayling, Michigan 49738
517-348-9314

On or about October 10, 2000 the Grayling Housing Commission will submit a request to the HUD/Detroit Office for the release of Capital Funds under Section 9 of the Housing Act of 1937 as amended, to undertake a project known as Grayling Housing Commission AuSagra Acres 1 & 2, for the purpose of modernization, \$137,229,308 Lawndale Grayling, MI. The activities proposed comprise a project for which a finding of no significant impact on the environment was published on An Environmental Review Record that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the Grayling Housing Commission 308 Lawndale, Grayling MI. and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Grayling Housing Commission. All comments received by October 10, 2000 will be considered by the Grayling Housing Commission prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Grayling Housing Commission certifies to HUD/Detroit, MI that Guy Quigley in his capacity as Executive Director consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD'S/Detroit, MI approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the Grayling Housing Commission to use Program Funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD/Detroit, MI will consider objections to its release of funds and the Grayling Housing Commission's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Grayling Housing Commission; (b) the Grayling Housing Commission has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD/Detroit, MI at Patrick V. Federal Building 477 Michigan Avenue Detroit, MI 48226-2592. Potential objectors should contact HUD/Detroit, MI to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Guy R. Quigley
Executive Director

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POSITION OPENING CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD VACANCY

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are accepting applications for an open position with the Crawford County Library Board. Members of this board set policy and procedures for boards governance and general operation within the local library. Applicants must be 18 years of age, a Crawford County Resident, have familiarity with parliamentary rules and procedures and the general knowledge of library functions within Crawford County. Deadline to submit applications is Wednesday, October 11, 2000 at 4:00 p.m. Applications may be sought from Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Register of Deeds Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Kirtland Community College is accepting proposals for the following three items:

- FUEL OIL CONTRACTORS** to provide #2 fuel oil for heating at the main campus and at units on College Drive for a total of three 10,000 gallon tanks; two 15,000 gallon tanks; and one 8,000 gallon tank.
- GASOLINE CONTRACTORS** to provide gasoline for college fleet vehicles.
- PROPANE GAS CONTRACTORS** to provide propane gas at the main campus for a total of ten 500 gallon tanks; three 1,000 gallon tanks; and two 120 gallon tanks.

All proposals must be made on the official bid sheet. Proposal documents may be obtained by calling 517-275-5000, ext. 263 Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. All proposals must be received at the physical plant office, Kirtland Community College by 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 12, 2000.

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LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE SNOWPLOWING BIDS

Lovells Township will receive bids for the snowplowing of Lovells Township Hall, Fire Hall and Dump sites #1 and #2 for the 2000-2001 season until 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 10, 2000 at the office of the Supervisor or Clerk at the Lovells Township Hall.

Evidence of insurance must accompany all bids.

Snowplowing specifications can be obtained at the Township Hall between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

The township board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to award the bid to other than low bidders, and in general to make the award in any manner deemed by it, in its sole discretion, to be in the best interest of Lovells Township.

Cheryl Hopp
Lovells Township Clerk

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FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of October 1-7

Aries March 21-April 20

Your cheerful mood may make people wonder what you're up to this week. You can't help but be happy. Everything is going smoothly at home and at work. While your energy is at an all time high, avoid making insensitive comments.

Taurus April 21-May 21

Ever-prepared Taurus may need to get a jump on holiday shopping. Look before you buy. Do not let your life be a series of missed opportunities. Get over the fears which could hold you back professionally.

Gemini May 22-June 21

Take the phone off the hook. Too many people are asking for favors or assistance taking personal time away from you. Making a healthy choice could be as easy as eating more fruit. Your wit could prove to be the saving grace at work.

Cancer June 22-July 22

Pay attention on the homefront. A lack of communication could land you in hot water with your partner. Listen carefully. What appears to be a straightforward conversation may have a hidden meaning. Analyze it.

Leo July 23-August 23

This week may seem like a continuous lesson in learning about the people you are closest to at work. Try to be a good student. You may cross paths with an old friend. Don't let old differences get in the way.

Virgo August 24-September 22

Things are not as they seem. Your tendency to demand too much change in too short of time may be straining your relationship. Too often you jump into things without considering others' feelings.

Libra September 23-October 23

Thoughts of searching for a job in a more creative field may be consuming. Associating too much with family members could drain your energy. Take care of business quickly and remain focused on the big picture.

Scorpio October 24-November 22

You may be more interested in getting the job done quickly than in getting it done right. Be careful. Starting an investment portfolio at this time could be a good move, if you do the necessary research.

Sagittarius November 23-December 21

Your critical thinking skills may be put to good use as you attempt to decipher what is really going on behind the scenes with a loved one. Try not to jump to conclusions. Going to an art exhibit may inspire you.

Capricorn December 22-January 20

People oriented Capricorn may find him/herself in an interesting social situation. Take your talents seriously. A stranger you recently met could become a true friend and collaborator as you try to put those talents to the test.

Aquarius January 21-February 18

You could find yourself influenced by people you generally wouldn't associate with. Instead of reacting quickly and illogically, give yourself plenty of time to sort out the situation.

Pisces February 19-March 20

Tempestuous and unpredictable. You could be your own worst enemy if you don't slow down and think. Try to avoid flights of fancy even though they generate enthusiasm and excitement with others. Take advice from an older person to heart.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Linguine with Pesto Sauce

1 cup fresh basil,
without stems, chopped
1/4 cup toasted pine nuts
1 tsp. garlic, minced
3/4 cup extra virgin
olive oil
1/4 tsp. pepper
1 lb. linguine pasta,
cooked

Put the basil, pine nuts and garlic into a food processor on medium speed. Slowly drizzle the olive oil

into the food processor while it is running. Turn the food processor off, add the black pepper and mix well. Serve over cooked linguine.

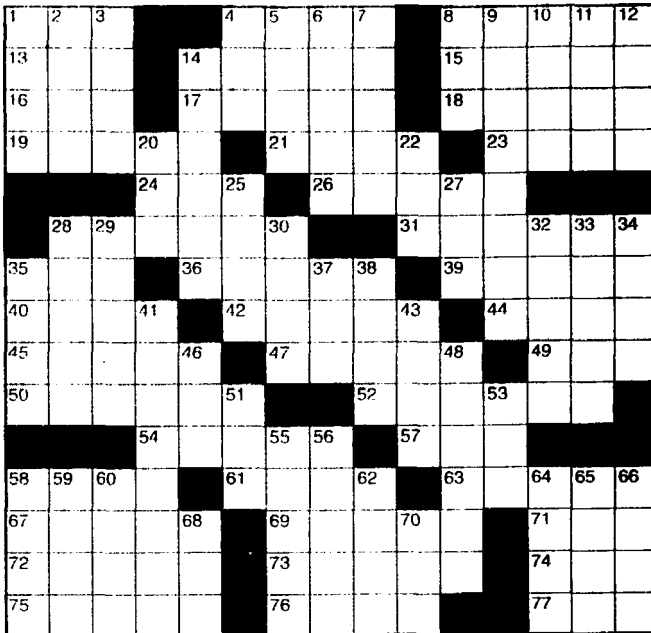
Makes 4 servings.

Nutritional information (per serving): Calories: 487; Calories from Fat: 313; Total Fat: 35g; Saturated Fat: 6g; Cholesterol: 4 mg; Sodium: 220 mg; Carbohydrate: 36g; Dietary Fiber: 4 g; Sugars: 1g; Protein: 12g. Exchanges: 2 starch, 1 lean meat, 1/2 vegetable, 6 fat.



HOME NEEDED - Male Cocker mix, housebroken, friendly and approximately 2 years old. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

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- Treasure chest sparklers
- Computer underoos
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- 1977 "Time Man of the Year"
- Show feelings
- Roman alcove
- Digression
- Yak's home
- Synthetic fiber
- Wilson of Raising Arizona
- 1994 role for Shirley MacLaine
- Kipling's Irish orphan
- My Fair Lady character
- Nathaniel's pilloried heroine
- Has mercy
- the fields we go
- Salad days
- Pasta sauce
- Vamp of films
- Message carriers
- Paint unskillfully
- Ebony and
- Some tides
- Copywriter's copy
- Less loquacious

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- Greasy
- Like a racetrack
- Service station offering
- Blue-pencil
- Niño's mother
- Pittsburgh product
- Flock doc
- Copied
- Justice's wear
- Shoshonean Indians
- Sites at Universal's back lot
- Reason
- Approves

- The of Tides
- Part of AES
- Nevertheless
- Brockton suburb
- Yours, Mine and
- Hoaxes
- Manner of fiction
- Transplant a plant
- Pap
- Slant
- Finnish bath
- Singer Yoko
- Nine-day-old ingredient
- Famed volcano
- Toupee
- Puppy's bark
- Call for milk
- Nothing, slangily
- Throw
- Partner of trial
- Bankrupt
- Singer Hayes
- Piano exercise
- Emulates the mock turtle
- News item, for short
- Three, in Pisa
- "It takes a o' livin'..." (Edgar Guest)
- Military storage spots
- Energetic
- Japanese evergreen
- Nap
- de Oro
- Ultmost degree
- Restore to health
- Like Gatsby
- Right now! memo-style
- This may cling
- Lingerie brand
- Whirled
- Swear
- Skirt length
- Pollution problem
- Drop in on
- Cat Hot Tin Roof (2 wds.)

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago September 29, 1977

The proposal calls for the construction of a new addition and the modernization of much of the existing structure. Purpose of the project is to correct licensing and fire safety deficiencies which presently exist, to provide more adequate space for departments whose levels of demand are not now being met, and to expand certain departments to meet anticipated increases in demand.

A nine month covert drug investigation in Crawford County has led to the arrest of 30 persons, 19 of which have already been arraigned in court here. Up to 50 persons may be arrested as a result of the undercover operation which has been conducted by the Crawford County Sheriff's Department, the Grayling City Police Department and County Prosecuting Attorney, Tom Kent.

Sheriff Curt Haas said five of those apprehended are juveniles. The suspects range in age from 13-27. Drugs involved include marijuana, P.C.P., L.S.D., and phenobarbital.

It may not be necessary to dump any milk in the area. This is the word from Dr. George Whitehead, Michigan Department of Agriculture. He says he doesn't expect to find any milk with over 5 parts per billion of PBB (polybrominated biphenyl). "We have not found any milk anywhere near 5 parts per billion in the last two years," he told a group of County Extension Directors.

A weekend boating accident took the life of a Grosse Pointe man who drowned when the boat he was fishing in capsized on Higgins Lake.

The diving team from the Crawford County Sheriff's Department rushed to the scene to assist in the recovery of the body of Wilfred Plotkowski, 51.

This week we recognize Miss Margaret Douglas who will be our Honor Guest at the Homecoming Dinner, '77, as "Teacher of the Year." She has earned our appreciation.

All adults are welcome to join the eight day Bahamas Trip leaving November 29. The cost is \$399 each and includes transportation to Detroit and back, round trip airfare to the Bahamas, breakfast and dinner each day, free use of pools, 27 hole golf course and many extras.

46 Years Ago September 30, 1954

Dr. and Mrs. Louis Hayes, Dr. Stanley Stealy, Dr. Elmore Henig and Dr. and Mrs. C.R. Keyport are in Detroit, the men are attending the Michigan State Medical Society meeting.

The Pinochle Club held its first meeting at the home of Mrs. Leslie Goss, Thursday evening. Instead of the usual card playing they had a baby shower honoring Mrs. Carl H. Neilson. A nice time was had by all and many nice gifts were received.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nelson announce the arrival of their son, to be known as Gregory George. He was born on September 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Gould of Grayling announce the arrival of a son, Richard Charles, born on September 25.

69 Years Ago October 1, 1931

Ernest Larson, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Carl Larson and Miss Elsie Burke motored to Detroit Tuesday where Miss Burke will remain for six months training at the Children's Free and the Herman Kiefer Hospitals.

Mrs. C.G. Clippert is driving a new Hupmobile "8" coupe.

Mrs. Loraine Sparkes left on

Tuesday for Ann Arbor on business in connection with her duties as county agent.

Stanley Stephan, a pharmacology student at Ferris Institute spent the weekend here visiting his parents and friends.

Postmaster M.A. Bates turned in a score of 14, Monday afternoon, made on the Grayling Golf Course. Considering that he has been playing the game only about a year, 14 is an excellent score.

92 Years Ago October 1, 1908

Salling, Hanson Co., lost 10,000 ties from forest fires Sunday on the Buell branch near Vanderbilt.

The railroad iron was laid from the west to Michelson's mill last week and found over five million shingles ready for shipment.

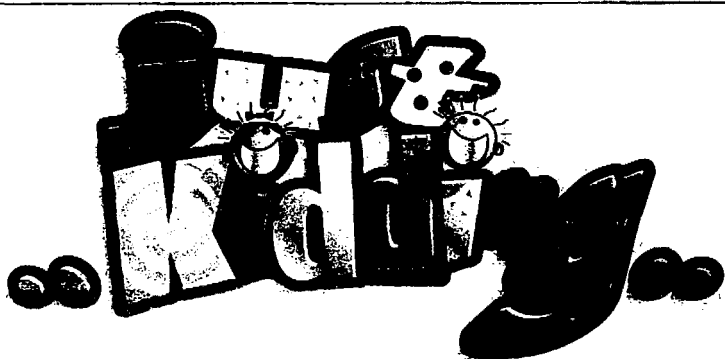
M. Hanson brought us as fine a sample of celery as ever was grown. The boys at one of the camps like good things and have raised a big lot. Crawford County takes the lead.

The long looked for and wished for rain reached here early Monday morning, continuing for five hours, so the fear of further fires was quelled. A cold wave followed.

Sheriff Amidon and W.L. Lewis, of Frederic, went to Saginaw yesterday to attend the Democratic State convention.

A walk through the rejuvenated store of the Grayling Mercantile Co. will make you think you have struck a department store in some city. The immense stock of goods now arriving are placed in proper place with room enough to give excellent display, and from the basement to the roof every available portion of the rooms will be utilized. Next Saturday is then Fall opening, and it will be a good time to look them over.

School commenced Monday, with Miss Margaret Husted as teacher and 35 scholars on the roll to begin with.



SEEK AND FIND

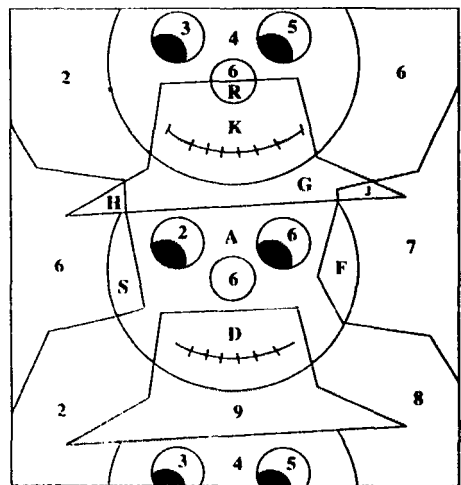
FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

CHIMNEY DOOR DOORBELL DRIVEWAY GARAGE GUTTER MAILBOX ROOF SHUTTERS SIDEWALK SIDING STAIRS

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

Q D O O R B E L L E
W R R Y T M A I L G
S I D E W A L K M N
M V O N R T A N F I
A E O M S G D F O D
I W R I J U H G O I
I A S H U T T E R S
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HIDDEN PICTURE



Color in each space that contains a letter.

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	H	L	Precip.
9/19	83	60	0.02"
9/20	60	44	0.58"
9/21	53	34	0.03"
9/22	52	39	0.47"
9/23	57	35	0.03"
9/24	52	29	0.01"
9/25	56	29	

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Excite Weather: **Wednesday** - Cool with an overcast, highs in the upper 50's. **Thursday** - Chilly with passing clouds, highs in the mid 50's. **Friday** - Cool partly sunny, highs in the lower 60's. **Saturday** - Mostly cloudy with light rain. Highs in the mid 60's.

ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Classifieds must be paid for in advance

Display Advertising Rate \$6.00 per column inch
 Deadline for Display Classifieds 12 noon, Monday
 Classifieds by the word rate \$4.20 for 15 words or less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing:
www.townnews.com/avalanche/
 Classified by the word deadline 12 noon, Tuesday

Crawford County, Michigan

1. Real Estate

MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN PROPERTIES www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99/1)

PENINSULA ON THE MANISTEE RIVER. 1,600 feet river frontage 2.5 acres. Three bedroom ranch. Agent, certified appraiser. \$165,000. 248-814-0827. (LR10/26/00/1)

HELP WANTED HINTS When placing a Help Wanted Classified, remember to list the job title and duties involved, whether it is full or part time, the name of company or business, mailing address for resume, or street address for walk-in applications. Crawford County Avalanche, 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling - (517) 348-6811

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The Michigan State Hospital Finance Authority ("MSHFA") will hold a public hearing at 9:00 a.m., on October 13, 2000, at the offices of MSHFA located at 100 W. Washtenaw, Suite 2, Lansing, Michigan 48933, on the proposed issuance by MSHFA, in one or more series, of refunding and revenue bonds (the "Bonds"), for the benefit of Trinity Health Corporation.

The proceeds of the Bonds will be loaned to and will be used by Trinity Health Corporation, together with other available funds, (a) to finance or refinance the costs of the acquisition, construction, renovation and equipping of the health care facilities described below (collectively, the "Projects"), (b) to refund or purchase and retire certain bonds described below (the "Prior Bonds"), (c) to refinance certain taxable debt (the "Taxable Note"), (d) to pay a portion of the interest on the Bonds, and (e) to pay the costs of issuing the Bonds. The Bonds are proposed to be issued in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$535,000,000. Additional detail with respect to the items financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Bonds is available upon request.

The Projects consist of the following: (i) additions, renovations and improvements to and the acquisition and installation of equipment for existing health care facilities located at St. Joseph Mercy Health System, 5301 East Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan, at an approximate cost of \$22,171,000; (ii) renovations to administrative office space located at 3075 Clark Road, Ypsilanti, Michigan, at an approximate cost of \$1,600,000; (iii) renovations to and expansion of an existing family birth center located at 620 Byron Road, Howell, Michigan, at an approximate cost of \$1,300,000; (iv) renovations to patient care facilities, upgrades to the paging system and the purchase and installation of software for the medication administration system located at St. Mary's Mercy Medical Center, 200 Jefferson Ave, SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan, at an approximate cost of \$2,110,000; (v) renovations to laboratory facilities located at St. Mary's Mercy Hospital, 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia, Michigan, at an approximate cost of \$2,102,000; (vi) renovation to oncology, medicine and surgery nursing units at St. Joseph Mercy - Macomb, 15855 19 Mile Road, Clinton Township, Michigan, at an approximate cost of \$1,418,000; (vii) renovations to the obstetrical unit located at Mercy Health Services North, 400 Hobart Street, Cadillac, Michigan, at an approximate cost of \$1,968,000; (viii) the purchase and installation of components for a computer network to transmit and manage digital imagery at St. Joseph Mercy - Oakland, 900 Woodward Avenue, Pontiac, Michigan, at an approximate cost of \$800,000; (ix) the purchase and installation of an HVAC unit and related roof reconstruction and repairs at Mercy Hospital - Port Huron, 2601 Electric Avenue, Port Huron, Michigan, at an approximate cost of \$916,000; and (x) the purchase and installation of hardware and software for information systems located at 5301 East Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan; 300 North Avenue, Battle Creek, Michigan; 200 Jefferson Street, SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49503; 15855 Nineteen Mile Road, Clinton Township, Michigan, 1500 E. Sherman Boulevard, Muskegon, Michigan 49443; 900 Woodward Avenue, Pontiac, Michigan 48341; 2601 Electric Avenue, Port Huron, Michigan, 34605 Twelve Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan, at an approximate cost of \$11,360,000.

All of the facilities and equipment to be financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Bonds, will be owned and operated by Trinity Health - Michigan (formerly known as Mercy Health Services and Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation), a Michigan nonprofit membership corporation of which Trinity Health Corporation is the sole member. Except as indicated below, the proceeds of the Prior Bonds were loaned to Trinity Health - Michigan and all facilities financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Prior Bonds were initially owned and operated by Trinity Health - Michigan.

The Prior Bonds consist of all or a portion of MSHFA's (i) Hospital Revenue and Refunding Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation Obligated Group) 1992 Series M (the "Series M Bonds"); (ii) Hospital Revenue Refunding Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation Obligated Group) 1993 Series P (the "Series P Bonds"); (iii) Hospital Revenue Bonds (Mercy Health Services Obligated Group) 1996 Series Q (the "Series Q Bonds"); (iv) Hospital Revenue Bonds (Mercy Health Services Obligated Group) 1996 Series R (the "Series R Bonds"); (v) Revenue Refunding Bonds (Mercy Health Services Obligated Group) 1997 Series S (the "Series S Bonds"); (vi) Revenue Refunding Bonds (Mercy Health Services Obligated Group) 1997 Series T (the "Series T Bonds"); (vii) Revenue Refunding Bonds (Mercy Health Services Obligated Group) 1997 Series U (the "Series U Bonds"); and (viii) Revenue Bonds (Mercy Health Services Obligated Group) 1997 Series W (the "Series W Bonds").

1. The proceeds of the Series M Bonds were used (i) to refund a portion

of MSHFA's Revenue and Refunding Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation) Series E (the "Series E Bonds"), (ii) to acquire, construct, renovate and equip health care and ancillary facilities at 400 West Russell Street, Saline, Michigan and 5361 McAuley Drive, Superior Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, (iii) to make a deposit to a debt service reserve fund, and (iv) to pay the costs of issuing the Series M Bonds. The proceeds of the Series E Bonds were used (a) to refund four separate series of bonds issued by MSHFA (together, the "Series E Refunded Bonds"), (b) to finance or refinance certain indebtedness, the proceeds of which were used to acquire, construct, renovate and equip health care and ancillary facilities at 6071 West Outer Drive, Detroit, Michigan, 5337 McAuley Drive, Superior Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and 6071 West Outer Drive, Detroit, Michigan, (c) to pay a portion of the interest on the Series E Bonds, (d) to make a deposit to a debt service reserve fund and (e) to pay costs of issuing the Series E Bonds. The proceeds of the Series E Refunded Bonds were used to construct, renovate and equip health care facilities at 5361 McAuley Drive, Superior Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, 1210 West Saginaw Street, Lansing, Michigan and 6071 West Outer Drive, Detroit, Michigan.

2. The proceeds of the Series P Bonds were used for the following purposes: (i) to refund all or a portion of MSHFA's Gross Revenue and First Mortgage Bonds (Mercy Hospital, Cadillac, Michigan), Series A (the "Series A Bonds"), Hospital Revenue Refunding Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation Series G (the "Series G Bonds"), Hospital Revenue Refunding Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation) Series I (the "Series I Bonds"), and Hospital Revenue Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation) 1991 Series J (the "Series J Bonds"), (ii) to make a deposit to a debt service reserve fund, and (iii) to pay the costs of issuing the Series P Bonds. The proceeds of the Series P Bonds were used to pay the costs of the financing and refinancing of the acquisition, improvement, construction and equipping of a hospital building located at 400 Hobart Street, Cadillac, Michigan (the "Cadillac Facility"), to pay a portion of the interest on the Series A Bonds, to fund a debt service reserve fund for the Series A Bonds, and to pay the costs of issuing the Series A Bonds. The proceeds of the Series G Bonds were used to refund MSHFA's Revenue Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation), Series A, the proceeds of which were used to finance the construction, acquisition, improvement, renovation or alteration of health care facilities at the following locations: 1100 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan; 1500 East Sherman Boulevard, Muskegon, Michigan; 2200 East Grand Boulevard, Detroit, Michigan; and 900 Woodward Avenue, Pontiac, Michigan. The proceeds of the Series I Bonds were used to refund a portion of MSHFA's Hospital Revenue Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation), Series D, dated May 1, 1983, the proceeds of which were used to finance the acquisition, construction, renovation and equipping of health care facilities at 2601 Electric Avenue, Port Huron, Michigan 48060. The proceeds of the Series J Bonds were used to finance the construction, renovation and equipping of health care and related administrative facilities at the following locations: 620 Byron Road, Howell, Michigan, 5301 East Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan; 5361 McAuley Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 5305 McAuley Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan; 5333 McAuley Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan; 5401 McAuley Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 3145 Clark Road, Ypsilanti, Michigan, and 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, Michigan.

3. The proceeds of the Series Q Bonds were loaned to Battle Creek Health System and used (i) to pay the costs of additions and renovations to and the acquisition, and installation of equipment for health care facilities located at 300 North Avenue, Battle Creek, Michigan (ii) to pay a portion of the interest on the Series Q Bonds; and (iii) to pay the costs of issuing the Series Q Bonds. The facilities financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Series Q Bonds were initially owned and operated by Battle Creek Health System.

4. The proceeds of the Series R Bonds were used (i) to pay the costs of the acquisition, installation, construction and/or renovation and equipping of health care facilities at the following locations: 200 Jefferson, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan; 405 Franklin, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan, and 60 South Lake, Grant, Michigan; (ii) to pay certain existing indebtedness, the proceeds of which were used for the construction and equipping of health care facilities located at Saint Mary's Health Services, 200 Jefferson, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan; (iii) to pay a portion of the interest on the Series R Bonds; and (iv) to pay the costs of issuing the Series R Bonds. All facilities financed or refinanced by the Series R Bonds were initially operated by Saint Mary's Health Services.

5. The proceeds of the Series S Bonds were loaned to Mercy Services for Aging and used (i) to advance refund Michigan Strategic Fund Limited Obligation Revenue Bonds (Mercy Services for Aging Project), Series 1990 (the "Series 1990 Bonds") and (ii) to pay costs of issuance. The

proceeds of the Series 1990 Bonds were used to finance or refinance the acquisition, renovation and equipping of long-term care facilities at the following locations: 12250 East 12 Mile Road, Warren, Macomb County, MI; 718 West Fourth Street, Royal Oak, Oakland County, MI; 1050 Four Mile Road, Grand Rapids (Walker Township), Kent County, MI, 6531 West Michigan Avenue, Jackson (Sandstone Township), Jackson County, MI, 33300 Utica Road, Fraser, Macomb County, MI, 12535 Harper Avenue, Detroit, Wayne County, MI; 532 Orchard Lake Road, Pontiac, Oakland County, MI; Evergreen Manor, A Mercy Living Center, 111 Evergreen Road, Battle Creek (Springfield Township), Calhoun County, MI; 9400 Conant Avenue, Hamtramck, Wayne County, MI; 1380 East Sherman Blvd., Muskegon, Muskegon County, MI, 900 South Beacon Blvd., Grand Haven, Ottawa County, MI; and 570 Harvey Street, Muskegon, Muskegon County, MI. The long-term care facilities financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Series 1990 Bonds were initially owned and operated by Mercy Services for Aging.

6. The proceeds of the Series T Bonds were used (i) to refund all or a portion of MSHFA's Hospital Revenue Refunding Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation), Series H (the "Series H Bonds") and (ii) to pay costs of issuance. The proceeds of the Series H Bonds were used (i) to refund all or a portion of the outstanding Michigan State Hospital Finance Authority Hospital Revenue Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation) Series F (the "Series F Bonds"), (ii) to fund a reserve fund, and (iii) to pay costs of issuance. The Series F Bonds were used to refund the Michigan State Hospital Finance Authority Hospital Revenue Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation) Series B (the "Series B Bonds") and the Michigan State Hospital Finance Authority Hospital Revenue Bonds (Sisters of Mercy Health Corporation) Series C, (the "Series C Bonds"). The proceeds of the Series B Bonds were used to acquire, renovate and equip health care facilities at 660 Clinton, Detroit, Michigan, 555 Conner Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, and 1799 East Grand Boulevard, Detroit, Michigan. The proceeds of the Series C Bonds were used to construct health care and ancillary facilities at 555 Conner Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

7. The proceeds of the Series U Bonds were used (i) to construct, renovate and equip health care and ancillary facilities located at 900 Woodward Avenue, Pontiac, Michigan, 147 Fulton Street, Pontiac, Michigan, and (ii) to pay costs of issuance.

8. The proceeds of the Series W Bonds were used (i) to pay the costs of the construction and/or renovation and equipping of and improvements to health care facilities and ancillary facilities located at 200 Jefferson, S.E., Grand Rapids, 200 Lafayette, S.E., Grand Rapids, 60 South Lake, Grant, Michigan, 4825 Clyde Park S.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan, Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital, 5301 East Huron Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan, the southeast corner of Twelve Mile Road and Meadowbrook Road in Novi, Michigan, and 1600 South Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan; (ii) to pay a portion of the interest on the Series W Bonds; and (iii) to pay the costs of issuing the Series W Bonds.

The proceeds of the Taxable Note were loaned to Trinity Health - Michigan and used to repay MSHFA's Hospital Revenue Bonds (St. Mary Hospital of Livonia) Series 1996A (the "Series 1996 Bonds") in connection with the purchase or lease-purchase by Trinity Health - Michigan of certain assets owned by St. Mary Hospital of Livonia. The Series 1996 Bonds were used (i) to pay interest on the Series 1996 Bonds, (ii) to make a deposit to a debt service reserve fund, (iii) to pay costs of issuance and (iv) to finance or refinance the costs of acquiring, constructing, renovating and equipping health care and ancillary facilities located at 36475 W. Five Mile Road, Livonia, Michigan 48154. St. Mary Hospital of Livonia was initially the owner and operator of the facilities and equipment financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Series 1996 Bonds.

The Bonds will be limited obligations of MSHFA payable only from loan repayments to be made to MSHFA and certain funds and accounts established by or pursuant to the bond indenture or indentures under which the Bonds will be issued. The Bonds will not be a general obligation of MSHFA and will not be a debt of the State of Michigan or any political subdivision of the State. MSHFA has no taxing power and the issuance of the Bonds will not obligate the State of Michigan or any political subdivision of the State to levy or pledge any form of taxation for the Bonds or to make any appropriation for the payment of the Bonds. The hearing will provide a reasonable opportunity for expression of opinion, argument on the merits and introduction of documentary evidence pertaining to the proposed issuance of the Bonds. Written comments will be accepted by MSHFA, but must be received on or before the date of the hearing.

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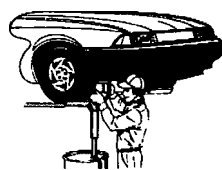
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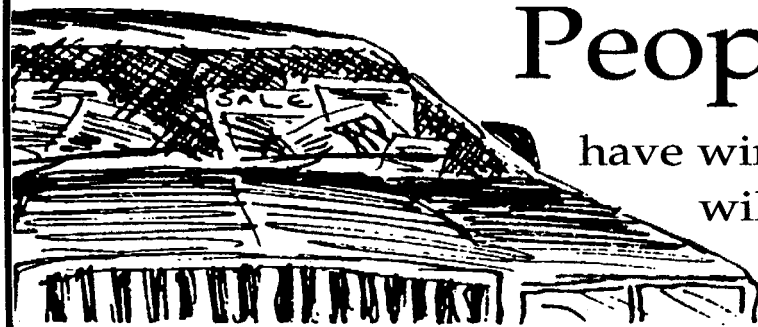
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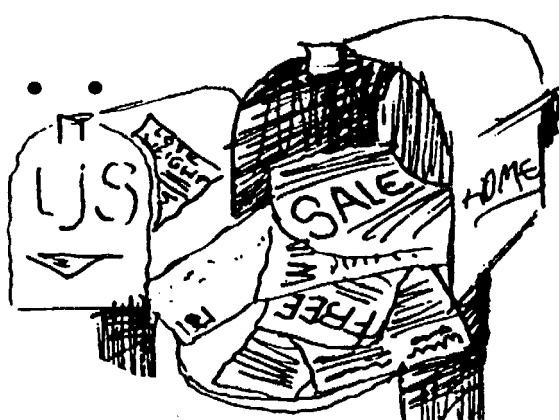
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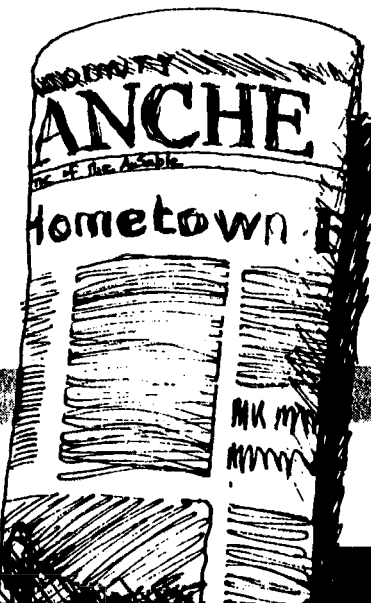
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Today's Kitchen Celebrates Many Lands And Cultures

By Lis King

(HIT)-Kitchens are getting more fascinating all the time thanks to well-traveled homeowners, who have learned to appreciate design elements from around the globe.

So say Rutt designers, whose award-winning kitchens are frequently inspired by their clients' fondness for the classicism of Florence, the timeless simplicity of Kyoto or the elegance of English country houses. However, they are quick to point out that while these global influ-

ences are important starting points, today's kitchens inevitably veer off in many directions.

"While Americans may admire the mellow warmth of a Provencal or Tuscan farmhouse, they also want superb function, and they want a kitchen that is tailored to the particular way they live," explains designer/architect Allen Sayles, who heads Rutt of Lafayette in California. "So we might wind up with a kitchen featuring cabinetry designed and crafted in the idiom of French or

English antiques, a professional stainless steel range, gleaming granite counters, a Finnish soapstone stove that doubles as a fireplace, and a collection of Staffordshire platters.

"And that's precisely the beauty of today's American kitchen. It has become a living room, as individual as a fingerprint, and a welcome respite from the digital, high-tech world all around us. At the heart is cabinetry that is crafted of beautiful wood and with finishes and details that rival those of the finest furniture. Then add eye-pleasing displays of favorite items, beautiful floors and walls, great colors and well-chosen contrasts, and you've got living room beauty and comfort."

Finding A Balance

Designer Barton Lidsky of Rutt of Bergen County and The Hammer & Nail, Wyckoff, NJ, agrees.

"Often, clients will ask us to find ways to design their kitchens to make room for something special they brought back from overseas," he tells. "It could be something as imposing as an antique Bavarian armoire or a Swedish porcelain stove, or it could be a collection. Recently, a client asked us to design a kitchen that would reflect her interest in furniture from the Arts and Crafts period as well as her collection of contemporary American folk art. Another client had two rare stained glass windows that he wanted to incorporate in his kitchen."

With the world as their oyster, how do homeowners put together a kitchen that mixes design elements without looking haphazard and jumbled?

Lidsky says that you can't just mix whatever you like. There has to be a balance, and even in you have excellent taste and might be able to get the aesthetics right, there are still the practical elements to consider. So inevitably you wind up with numerous difficult choices.

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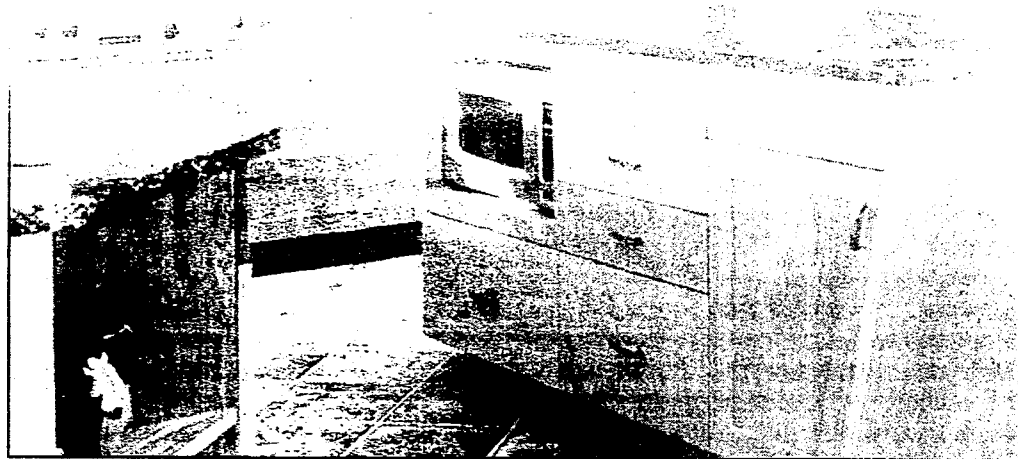
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The arts and crafts movement of Britain and America is seen in this kitchen's cherry cabinetry designed by Barton Lidsky of The Hammer & Nail, Wyckoff, NJ, and custom-crafted by Rutt. The ceramic tile on the floor and glass tile behind the stove are Italian, and the owner's collection of folk art and pottery represents many countries.

Today's Kitchen

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other day a client asked me just when a faucet stopped being a simple utilitarian device. It's a good question, and it typifies what has happened to kitchen design. The solution, of course, is to seek out a professional designer."

Practical Concerns

All Rutt designers agree that whatever style homeowners might want to borrow from favorite locales around the world, initial interviews and thorough, preliminary plans and sketches are important first steps.

"We don't believe in formula design," explains Jim Bilotta of Bilotta Home Center, Mamaroneck and Briarcliff, NY. "There is no magic plan that works for everybody. It makes a huge difference how a family shops, cooks and eats. That will dictate if they will need extra freezer space, two dishwashers, and additional sink, cabinets that will store baking paraphernalia, pretty china, trays, small appliances, giant bags of kibbles for the family dog, or whatever..."

He also cites such exam-

ples as more refrigerator space for those, who like fresh foods; an indoor grill for those, who prefer low-fat foods; and multiple work stations for families, who arrive home with hunger pangs and need room for everybody to pitch in and prepare dinner in a hurry.

"These are some of the practical considerations, and finding the right answers to them is just as essential to a successful kitchen as the aesthetics," he notes.

For a view of today's best kitchens and a list of talented designers, contact Rutt Custom Cabinetry, 1564 Main Street, P O Box 129, Goodville, PA 17528, 1-800-420-7888. Rutt's 98-page Folio, which features great examples of inspired kitchen design, is \$15. Or check the firm's web site:

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Rutt of Bergen County is at 232 Madison Ave., Wyckoff, NJ 07481, 1-201-871-5252, and Bilotta Home Center is at 564 Mamaroneck Ave., Mamaroneck, NY, 10543, 1-914-381-7734, www.bilotta.com

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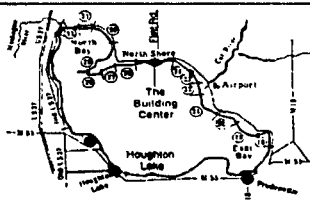
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More Than Crates And Boxes: Moving Is An Emotional Experience

(HIT)—The next time you're at a party and the conversation starts to lag, try this: tell a story about something that happened the last time you moved. Within minutes, everyone in the room will be chiming in with "I can top that" tales of nightmarish moving experiences.

That moving can be traumatic is certainly understandable. "Even when the reason for the move is positive, such as a new job or a new house,

the actual process of moving can be stressful and challenging," says Melanie Bergeron, president of Two Men and A Truck, the country's first and only franchised local moving service based in Okemos, Michigan. "It's a lot of work and there are so many details to remember, even when you're just moving within the same town."

What can you do to keep your move from turning into a disaster? Bergeron

offers these tips:

- Plan ahead. The more you do in advance, the easier moving day will be. Set up a notebook or file with all moving information, contacts, checklists, budgets, etc., so you can keep track of what's been done and what you still need to do.

- Choose your mover carefully. With all the other costs associated with moving, it's tempting to choose your mover primarily on price—but cost is only part of what you should consider when making this decision. You want a mover who will handle every box and piece of furniture with the same care you would. Be sure the mover has proper licenses and insurance. Check their record with the Better Business Bureau and whatever regulatory agency oversees movers in your state. Ask for and check references. Visit their facility and take a look at their trucks: if they don't take care of their own equipment, it's not likely they'll take care of your possessions.

- Consider your children's feelings. Moving can be a frightening experience for youngsters. Turn it into a positive adventure by taking them to the new house before you move: drive around the neighborhood, meet some of the neighbors, visit sites such as the nearby park, schools and library. Involve them in the process by letting them pack some of their toys and favorite items. Expect them to be upset about leaving their friends and familiar environment. Organize a farewell party and take plenty of pictures, then explain that while they may be saying good-bye to these friends, they're going to meet lots of new people, make new friends and explore new places. Always be positive.

- Remember the pets. If the move is stressful for you, just imagine what it's like for the family pet when their world is turned upside down. If you have dogs or cats, take them with you on visits to your new residence (but don't allow them to roam freely in the car; it isn't safe). Bring a jug of

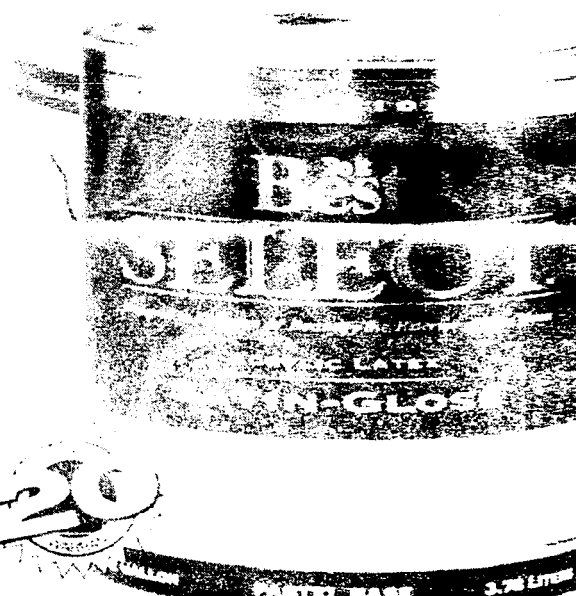
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Garden Experts Share Tips For Successful Fall Gardening

(IHIT)—As the days grow shorter and the daytime temperatures become cooler, you might think it's time to stop gardening until next year. But garden experts have this advice: Think again.

"Fall is one of the most important and most rewarding gardening seasons of the entire year," said Karen Park Jennings, president of the Mailorder Gardening Association and president of Park Seed Co. "Fall is the best time to plant everything from flower bulbs and perennials to trees and shrubs in all but the coldest areas of the U.S."

According to Jennings, planting in the fall allows trees, shrubs and perennials to get a head start on next year's growing season. Even though a plant's foliage may not grow noticeably, its roots will become established after planting in the fall. The following spring, when the plant receives the daylength and temperature it needs, that plant will grow well because it will now be "on schedule" with Mother Nature.

Autumn is also Mother Nature's time to plant wildflower seeds.

"Fall-planted wildflower seeds benefit from the 'natural stratification' — the softening of the seed coats due to cold and moisture — that occurs during the winter months" said Steve Atwood, president of Clyde Robin Seed Co. "When the weather warms up in the spring, the seeds germinate and send down roots to capture the water before it dissipates in the soil or evaporates."

Wildflower seeds planted in the fall typically do not require as much supplemental summer irrigation, says Atwood. However, spring-planted seeds always require additional water. Fall is also

the time to collect seeds from the wildflowers already growing in your garden. Just clip the heads from the wildflowers and let them dry.

Plant Bulbs, Divide Perennials

Fall is the traditional time to plant spring-flowering bulbs, which need a period of chilling before they bloom. Early bloomers such as crocuses and daffodils should be planted in early fall after a frost, and later-blooming hyacinths and tulips can be planted anytime before the ground freezes.

"Planting bulbs is like planting buried treasure," says Debbie Van Bourgondien, vice president of Van Bourgondien. "Bulbs are easy to plant, so they make a great gardening activity for kids. Loosen the soil to a depth of about a foot and mix in some compost. Plant bulbs in well-drained soil and you'll be rewarded with brightly colored flowers early next spring."

To prevent chipmunks and squirrels from digging up freshly planted bulbs, throw a few mothballs into the holes when you plant bulbs. Or, put a few drops of turpentine in a paper bag along with the bulbs you'll be planting. Shake the bulbs gently, then leave them in the bag overnight to absorb the turpentine smell. Most animals hate the smell of mothballs and turpentine — so they'll leave the bulbs alone.

Fall is a good time to divide flowering perennials such as purple coneflowers (*Echinacea purpurea*) and black-eyed susan (*Rudbeckia fulgida* "Goldstrum"). If a perennial has been in the same location for several years and you've noticed a decline in its flower output, dig up the plant and divide the root ball with a spade or hatchet into two, three or four pieces. This

process invigorates the plant and each portion will grow more vigorously next spring.

Hardy perennials need a period of dormancy with consistently cold soil temperatures during the winter. In areas where winters are severe enough to freeze the soil, apply a generous layer of mulch around plants after the ground is frozen. The mulch will keep the soil from warming up prematurely in early spring.

Tool Care and Spring Planning

Because fall is generally a more relaxed gardening season, it's the perfect time to care for your neglected gardening tools. According to Vicki Duguay, marketing specialist for Johnny's Selected Seeds, you can rid your pruners of sticky sap with distilled vinegar and an old toothbrush. Then, wipe the clean, dry metal parts with an oil-soaked rag. (Yes, vegetable oil works well.)

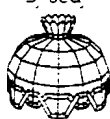
To extend the life of digging tools and to maintain the resiliency of their wood handles, sand off the varnish and coat the handles with linseed oil. Tools with moving parts, such as carts and pruners, appreciate occasional light lubrication. Keep cutting and digging tools as sharp and efficient as when you first acquired them by periodic resharpening along the existing bevel. With adequate care, says Duguay, one good tool will outlast three of lesser quality.

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Prepare Your Deck For Winter

(IHIT)— Homeowners don't typically think about their outdoor decks with the onset of winter. But, with the damage that cold weather, extreme temperature changes and moisture from melting snow can cause, ignoring deck maintenance and protection will leave you with a big clean-up job next spring.

According to deck care expert Pat Coughlin of The Flood Company, a company that has been making products to treat and care for decks for over 150 years, the best insurance for a nice deck next spring is to prepare it well for winter. He offers the following advice:

If your deck is new and has never been stained, it

needs special treatment. New wood is vulnerable and should not be left unprotected, especially during the harsh winter months. Use a treatment that is specifically designed to work with new, unweathered wood.

If your deck is more than one year old, you will want to apply a finish before the cold weather arrives. Most quality finishes should not be applied if the temperature drops below 50 degrees Fahrenheit. The best protection is an oil-based finish that penetrates deep and offers protection from the inside out, says Coughlin.

Finally, if your wooden deck is older and more weathered, nail down all loose floor boards and fix any exposed nails. For these decks use a product that protects, but also improves the look of your deck by adding color or hiding its imperfections. For these decks, select a semi-transparent or solid


color stain.

Semi-transparent stains introduce color to the deck, while still allowing the wood grain to show through. Solid color stains cover the wood grain — and the imperfections — and are often used to create designer, two-toned looks. These last longer than a clear finish because of the added pigment. A long-lasting stain is important, according to Coughlin.

No matter which finish you choose, it is important to clean your deck before application. Otherwise, the dirt will prevent the finish from properly penetrating into the wood grain. Use a non-bleach cleaner that is safe on the wood's delicate fibers and won't harm plants and shrubs.

"Preparing your deck for winter is a wise investment," says Coughlin. "Ensuring that it is properly protected will allow you to enjoy your deck for years."

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Ten Energy-Saving Ideas

(IHIT)—Using energy wisely can reduce consumption and save money on utility bills, according to the American Gas Association. Here are some tips:

1. Seal leaks around doors, windows and other openings, such as pipes or ducts — with caulking or weather-stripping.

2. Set thermostats between 65 and 70 degrees in the winter, at least 5 degrees lower when sleeping, and at 58 degrees when away from home for more than a few hours. (Warmer temperatures are recommended for homes with ill or elderly persons or infants.)

3. Set water heater temperatures at 140 degrees (at 120 degrees in homes with infants or elderly persons to guard against accidental scalding), and install water-flow restric-

tors in showerheads and faucets.

4. Change filters or clean the filters in heating and cooling units twice a year. Close vents and doors in unused rooms. If pipes or ducts run through unheated areas, insulate them.

5. Use drapes, shutters, awnings, shade trees, glass with reflective film or solar screens to keep sunlight out in the summer and let it in during the winter.

6. Check to see if attic and basement (or crawl space) have the recommended level of insulation.

7. If you have a wood-burning fireplace, consider installing a natural gas fireplace insert, which can save on energy costs compared with wood. A gas fireplace also will dramatically reduce the air pollution created from burning wood.

8. Consider storm or

thermal windows and doors or double paned glass. A less-expensive alternative is plastic sheeting, which can be temporarily fastened over doors and windows to retain heat or air conditioning.

9. Be sure that dishwashers, washing machines and clothes dryers are fully loaded before running.

10. When buying new appliances, compare energy efficiency ratings and annual operating costs. A slightly higher initial cost for a high-efficiency appliance could pay itself back in a very short time through energy savings and lower utility bills.

Many natural gas utilities offer assistance and special programs designed to help consumers reduce their energy bills. Contact your local gas utility for more information.

Gardening Experts Share Tips

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If you've been growing houseplants or herbs in pots on the patio, it's time to bring most of them indoors (or into your greenhouse) when nighttime temperatures fall below about 50 degrees F. According to Carol Yaw, owner of Charley's Greenhouse Supply, potted herbs can be successfully grown indoors with at least five hours of direct sunlight (a south-facing window is best) or with supplemental fluorescent

lighting. Fertilize herbs monthly with a fish emulsion or seaweed fertilizer diluted to half strength.

For those gardeners who love to plant flower and vegetable seeds, autumn is a great time to start planning next spring's garden.

"Don't wait until next spring to order seed-starting supplies such as heat mats and grow-lights," said Dick Chamberlin, president of Harris Seeds. "By getting your garden planned and your sup-

plies ready, you'll be prepared when next spring comes."

For more information about gardening, visit the Mailorder Gardening Association's website at: <http://www.mailorder-gardening.com>

For a copy of the booklet "Garden Catalog Guide," which lists 139 garden catalog companies and garden magazine publishers, send a \$2.00 check or money order to: Mailorder Gardening Association, Dept. SC14, Box 2129, Columbia, MD 21045.

Moving is An Emotional Experience

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water and a familiar snack for them to enjoy when you arrive at the new home. Walk your pet around the new neighborhood and help them get familiar with the surroundings. Keep in mind that some pets have been known to try to return to their old homes after moving, so you'll want to keep a close eye on your pets especially in the first few days. If you have pets with special needs, such as reptiles, birds and fish, contact your local veterinarian or pet store for information on making the move as easy as possible for

them.

"There's a lot to remember," says Bergeron, "but if you take a systematic, organized approach, your move can be a positive experience." Of course, if you take Bergeron's advice, you won't have

any moving-related horror stories to tell at your next party, so you'll have to think of something else to talk about. Read any good books lately?

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(IHIT)-A well illuminated homesite, farmstead or other rural business can add value to your property in three ways—by enhancing personal safety and preventing injuries, deterring vandalism and theft, and extending the productive work hours or outdoor recreation time beyond sundown. But do you know how to match the right type of light source to each need and location?

If you want to illuminate the area in front of your garage, will a 40 watt low pressure sodium lamp provide enough light? How high should it be mounted? Knowing what you need and where to install it can make all the difference in how you spend your outdoor lighting dollars.

All too often, consumers will buy whatever outdoor light fixture happens to be on sale at their local home center, without a thought about mounting height, wattage, energy efficiency, or ease of maintenance. The following recommendations can help you make a better choice.

To illuminate large areas around buildings, fuel storage or parking lots, use high intensity discharge lights (HID). This family of light sources are characterized by their intense, bright

light, and must be mounted high to spread the light and avoid glare.

The most efficient are the golden-colored high pressure sodium or low pressure sodium lamps. Mount the fixtures 20 to 30 feet high, depending on the bulb wattage. Don't try to illuminate multiple areas with just one light, also insist on a fixture style that uses a reflector or head assembly to direct light downward.

A well-designed fixture may cost a little more, but you are gaining in the long run because all the light that you are paying for is being directed where you can use it.

A typical 90 watt, high pressure sodium lamp (120W with ballast), burning from dusk to dawn (about 4,100 hours/year) costs \$49.20 to operate annually, at 10¢ per kilowatt-hour.

Around entrance doors, gates or other locked areas, use motion-sensor lights. These infrared-activated spot lights have two advantages. They are only on when needed, and they brighten specific areas to help get keys in locks, or maneuver oversized equipment through gates or doors.

The automatic off feature also saves energy, since lights are only on a short time.

Near the front walkway

of a home or business, use a decorative yardlight on a six foot lamp post to illuminate pathways. These fixtures not only enhance the home's appearance, but can lower your liability for personal injury, and help visitors find their way safely.

If the light will be on from dusk to dawn, use a compact fluorescent bulb (rather than a standard incandescent) to save energy and reduce the number of bulb change-outs. These screw-in fluorescents are a worthwhile investment. Make sure it is rated for outdoor use or it won't come on during cold temperatures.

For a good overall lighting plan, there are other site-specific details that need to be considered.

But overall, the best lighting scheme combines HID area lighting on tall poles, with motion-sensor fixtures near doors and gates, plus a decorative yard light to illuminate walkways.

To help homeowners, farm operators or other business owners understand more about outdoor lighting, a new publication, *Outdoor Lighting for Safety and Productivity* is available from the National Food and Energy Council.

The four-page illustrated each type of HID light source for area lighting needs, how to use motion-sensor lighting, and provides recommendations on the right fixture style and placement. An example is illustrated using four different light sources, and lists the expected kilowatt-hour use and annual operating cost for each light.

To order a copy of the guide, contact the National Food and Energy Council, 601 Business Loop 70 West, Suite 216D, Columbia, MO 65203, or call 1-573-875-7155. The cost of a single copy is \$4.50 (includes postage & handling) with quantity discounts after nine copies.

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Fall - The Best Time To Rejuvenate Your Lawn

(IHIT)-Horticultural experts generally agree that proper lawn care in the fall has greater impact than similar efforts in the spring or any other season for rejuvenating a lawn throughout the year. Fall is the season when turf-grass growth begins to slow. According to the Turf Resource Center, a Chicago-based non-profit group, it is also a good time to help your grass develop the stamina it will need to survive the stress of winter and get a head start for the coming spring.

Early October is generally the right time to focus additional attention for cool-season (northern U.S.) grasses, while the latter part of the month is best for warm-season varieties found in the more southern locations.

To achieve maximum benefit for year-round results, fall lawn care requires a number of different efforts, including mowing, removal or mulching lawn debris, aerating, fertilizing and watering. The sequence of these efforts is as important as how they are performed.

Mowing

In addition to the immediate beauty of a freshly cut lawn, mowing in accordance with the following guidelines can help generate and maintain healthier turfgrass plants.

- Make sure the mower blade is sharp—the ragged cut made by a dull blade tends to shred the grass blade tips, exposing a larger surface area to disease, pest and water loss.

- Set the proper cutting height—the higher cutting height used during the summer (when the photosynthetic processes in the leaf tissues are at their peak) should have progressed to a lower cutting height late in the fall when the plant begins to store food reserves. The lower cutting height, without scalping, helps harden and strengthen the plants' roots and crown with increased nutrients that would otherwise have been used by longer grass blades.

- Lawn Debris—up to

one inch of leaves can be mulched to serve as a protective cover during the coming cold season. However, clumps or large leaves, such as often accumulate in low spots, could trap dampness and become a breeding spot for diseases and pests. If in doubt, remove the debris with a mulching mower and dump it in the compost bin for recycling into nutrient-rich soil for future garden use.

Aerating The Soil

After a year of being trampled upon by various activities that tend to pack the soil, the grass roots need a breath of fresh air (oxygen) for respiration that only proper aeration can provide. This helps the root systems better establish themselves for the coming winter. Aeration should take place approximately two weeks before applying the year's final fertilizer, or five to six weeks before the first frost.

The most effective aerator has hollow tines that penetrate the ground and remove core plugs of soil that are expelled as each successive plug is removed, leaving a vent for true aeration. Although a freshly aerated lawn appears a bit

unsightly with numerous plugs laying all over it, they will eventually dissolve, returning nutrients to the soil for use by the grass.

The unsightly appearance can be reduced and the plug dissolving process speeded up by mowing with a low-cutting blade. Be sure to remove the grass clipping bag and then mow the entire lawn in a left-to-right pattern, followed by an up-and-down pattern to assure even break-up and spreading of the aeration plugs. After mowing, watering the lawn further helps dissolve the aeration plugs.

Fertilizing/Weed Control

The fall application of a weed-and-feed type fertilizer provides longer lasting benefits to a lawn than that of any other time of the year, according to the Turf Resource Center. Fertilizer should be timed about one month before the first frost. It is very important to read, understand and follow instructions on the fertilizer label. The following information should take the mystery out of how much and which type fertilizer to buy, and how to apply it

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"Curb appeal is one of the most important factors in home sales," says Kathy Diffley, past president of the St. Paul, Minn., Area Association of Realtors. "If you drive up to a house that's well cared for, buyers become excited." In fact, Diffley asserts that many buyers make a decision within a few seconds of arriving at a home - before even entering the front door. "Buyers are busy," says Diffley. "There's seldom time to view an interior or if the exterior is disappointing."

Both the condition and color of a home's exterior affect buyers' impressions. According to Ray Pittman, a Chicago industrial designer and member of the prestigious Color Marketing Group, color also influences purchase decisions. Pittman, who advises Masonite Corporation on color choices for their factory-finished

...has been known to increase a siding's sales by as much as 40 percent in just one year."

And maintenance of your home's exterior should increase its worth and your pleasure. Think of home maintenance as physical fitness for your home. This enables you to take preventative measures to avoid situations that can become time-consuming, costly problems.

The best place to start your once-over is with a yearly home inspection. It's all too easy to become complacent about minor problems right under your nose. Drive up to your house, viewing it through the eyes of a buyer. As Diffley puts it, "It's amazing what homeowners suddenly see!"

First, how do your sidewalk and driveway look? Do you see cracks or buckles? Consider calling an expert to determine if replacement is needed, or if other remedies will help.

Next, check out your landscaping. Is it neatly trimmed, or overgrown? Are foliage and shrubbery gangly or growing against the siding? If so, trim them to restore that "cared for" look. This also benefits your siding by restoring air circulation between shrubs and siding, and giving sunshine access to help keep the siding dry. While inspecting, check to see if algae or mildew is growing on the siding, especially behind the plants. If so, buy

...and windows. Your front door not only keeps out the cold, it's also your home's "welcome mat." Check its appearance and make any needed improvements. (How's the screen door? Polish that door knob and/or kickplate. Repaint if color is fading.) Next, take a close look at your windows. Is the trim peeling or bubbling? It may be time to scrape and repaint.

Now take a look at the house as a whole. Does your home's exterior appear clean and well maintained? Does the siding have dents, cracks or discoloration? Check siding for any nail or caulking irregularities. If nails protrude, lightly tap them flush with the siding. If nails are overdriven, fill in with a high-quality caulk. Also, apply new caulk in places where the old is loose or cracked, after removing old caulk.

Is your paint cracking, flaking, eroding, or is the color simply out of date? A fresh coat may be the best solution. Be sure to clean your siding prior to repainting. If any substrate is bare, apply primer and follow with two high-quality topcoats. Also, remember to paint the bottom edge of the siding as well as the face. Carefully select your new color to ensure lasting appeal.

"Lifestyles influence color. In today's working world, the hectic pace makes us seek comfort and sanctuary at home," says designer Pittman. "Colors are taking their cue from nature. Brick and stone elements and generous roof designs require siding colors that complement and integrate with these natural materials." For example, tans, buffs, khakis and warm grays work very well. Color elements and craftsmanship elements will tie it all together. Adds Pittman, "Siding color lightened five times becomes the perfect trim shade. Pastels are returning, but more like faded, stronger colors, rather than the chalkier pastels of yesterday."

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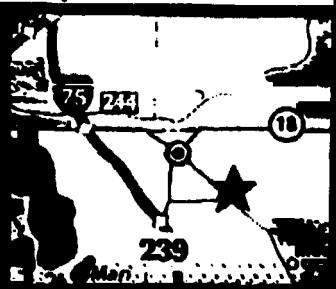
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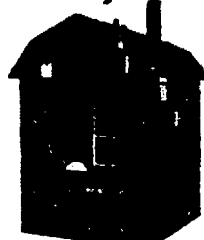
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Fall - Rejuvenate Your Lawn

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efficiently.

• How much—The fertilizer bag label advises how many square feet the product will cover (see sidebar for calculating square feet of lawn area); any portion not used will be just as effective next year, if stored in a dry area.

• Which type—Any reputable lawn and garden retailer will be able to recommend the best fertilizer mixture for a particular time of the year. In the fall, turfgrass needs less nitro-

gen (N) but higher ratios of phosphorus (P) and potassium (K) to encourage root growth and harden the grass plants for the coming winter.

• Proper application—To assure uniform coverage with either a broadcast spreader or a drop spreader, follow these simple steps:

1) Adjust the spreader application dial to one-half of the fertilizer bag's recommended setting and make the first application in an up-and-down pat-

tern, covering the entire lawn.

2) Begin the second application immediately, in a left-to-right pattern, and continue over the entire lawn. (Hint: Use two small flags to mark the beginning and end of each row as you apply the fertilizer—small, brightly colored flags with stiff wire shafts work best.)

For more information and recommendations on lawn care, visit the following website:

<http://www.TurfGrassSod.org> or:
LawnInstitute.com

Lawn: Determining Square Footage

To calculate your actual lawn area, use the following formulas to determine the total square footage of your property and subtract from that figure the total square footage of your house, garden, driveway, patio, etc. that is not covered by grass.

"A" Garden (Triangle)
Formula: $(B+2) \times H =$ Area (in sq. feet—also abbreviated as ft.²), where B is the base, and H is the height.

"B" Total Property (Trapezoid)

Formula: $(A+B) \times W =$ Area (in square feet), where "A" is the Length of one parallel side. "B" is the Length of the second parallel side and "W" is the Width.

"C" & "D" House & Driveway (Rectangle or Square)

Formula: $L \times W =$ Area (in square feet), where "L" is the Length of one parallel side. "B" is the

length of the second parallel side and "W" is the Width

"E" Patio (Circle)
Formula: $\pi r^2 =$ Area (in square feet), where " π " is 3.14, "r" is the circle radius (distance from center to edge of circle).

SOLUTION: "B" - ("A" + "C" + "D" + "E") = Total lawn area to be fertilized
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